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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### New Truce Offer

It must not be taken for granted that General Nam II's cold reception of the new Allied Korea truce offer represents an outright rejection. The proposals are couched in such a way as to demand more than the cursory examination given to them in the negotiating tent at Panmunjom by the leader of the Communist delegation. General Nam II can be expected to transmit the offer to Peking, and it is probable that high level Soviet opinion will also be sought. The 10-day adjournment of negotiations at Panmunjom is obviously intended to give the Communists opportunity for considered study of the UN offer, allied with the hope that the Reds will either find themselves able to accept the formula as it stands, or submit an acceptable variation. The essence of the Allied proposal is that while preserving the principle of non-forcible repatriation of prisoners of war, it goes a long way towards meeting the objections which the Communists have raised to earlier UN proposals for settling the issue.

THE latest proposition is to do away with the counting of heads and to have all prisoners of war released in neutral territory from where they can make their way of their own free will to whatever part of Korea they desire. This condition satisfies the Communists' demand for the release of all POWs held by the United Nations, without violating the UN principle of free-will repatriation. It is noteworthy that the Communists are offered three different methods of putting the proposal into practical effect, and it has been made clear to them that whichever of the three they prefer will be acceptable to the United Nations. This invitation to the Communists to end the deadlock in the truce negotiations is one which cannot lightly be dismissed without incurring the stigma of wilful intransigence and obstructionism. It is, furthermore, yet another opportunity for the Communists to indicate the sincerity of their repeatedly expressed desire to make an armistice a reality.

## Bevan Wins Cheers At Labour Conference

### Eisenhower To Tell All

New York, Sept. 29. General Eisenhower, the Republican candidate for the American presidency, announced today that he will make public his entire financial situation.

He thus accepted an implied challenge from Mr. Adlai Stevenson, the Democratic candidate, to disclose the details of his finances.

The announcement from Eisenhower's headquarters gave no indication when his statement would be released, but a spokesman said he did not expect it before Eisenhower's departure for South Carolina.—Reuter.

### HAUNTED WELL

#### Three Men Die

Karachi, Sept. 28. Three men were today reported to have died in a well near Hyderabad Sind, which villagers believe is haunted by the ghost of a girl who threw herself into it two centuries ago to escape the advances of the local landlord.

The well has remained unused since, but eight villagers decided to end the mystery by cleaning it out.

Three were lowered on ropes, but their companions reported that as soon as they reached half way, a dazzling light was seen at the bottom of the well.

The men lost their hold and fell into the water.

Three more villagers went to their rescue, but were hauled out unconscious.

They said that as soon as they reached the half-way mark they felt themselves being "slapped by an invisible hand" and lost their senses.

The bodies of the first three have not yet been found.—Reuter.

### Vysinsky Will Head Delegation

Moscow, Sept. 29. Mr. Andre Vysinsky, the Soviet Foreign Minister, will go to New York to head the Soviet delegation to the United Nations General Assembly, it was learned today.

### Plane Explodes

London, Sept. 29. A Meteor plane of the Royal Air Force exploded in the air and crashed near Swaby in Northern Yorkshire today. The pilot was killed.—France-Press.

## A PERSONAL TRIUMPH

### Emphasises Danger Of Unemployment

Morecambe, Sept. 29. Mr Aneurin Bevan, Socialist rebel, scored a big personal triumph with a speech on unemployment on the opening of the Labour Party's annual conference here today. The Welsh firebrand, whose conflict over arms policy with the party's official leaders is likely to come to a showdown this week, was thunderously cheered by the 1,200 delegates.

Mr Bevan made his mark today without directly introducing any of the controversies now dividing him from the party's "old guard."

But he repeatedly made jocular references to the disputed issues.

There was a burst of laughter when the Welshman told the audience "I am not arguing about the arms question — that will come later in the week."

Warning his hearers of Britain's serious economic situation, he said: "We are told the United States is a living monument to the success of competitive capitalism."

"The fact is that at present American industry is being kept at full speed by the biggest piece of public enterprise it has ever undertaken—a big arms programme."

Mr Bevan said the Conservative Government was now pressing for Britain to balance her overseas payments by making arms for her allies.

"For God's sake let us look at this thing more carefully," he declared. "If American peace products are going into world markets and we are providing for our own industries war products, then we will be tied up in our economy with a perpetual war machine."

Amid loud applause Mr Bevan barked out: "This is rank progress."

**TWO FEARS.**

Mr Bevan went on: "America is very rich, has great wealth and productive capacity. If wealth and productive capacity could get rid of fear America would be the most tranquil country in the world. But on the contrary, America is haggard by two fears—the fear of war and of unemployment, which is the fear of peace."

Mr Bevan was to be prevented from going on to say that in modern society, it could be done only by Socialist planning.

Mr Bevan added: "We shall have to try to secure that the German workers enjoy social standards that do not make their labour competitive with ours—and that does not mean backing Krupp."

"The same thing is true of Japan. We shall have to make sure that Japanese cheap labour does not enable them to undermine textile labour in the markets of the world."

Mr Bevan said: "Economists, bankers and industrialists in America are frightened of the industrial consequences of letting up on a vast rearmament drive because there is no socialist planning in America to dispose of the surpluses when they arise."

Mr Bevan, repeatedly applauded, said: "I think we are agreed that if there is one thing we are not prepared to do it is to give up our permanent peacetime markets to our wartime competitors for temporary war-time markets."

"If we are to safeguard employment we have to say that we can only safeguard employment by socialist planning in Britain and other parts of the world."

**CRITICAL SITUATION.**

He added: "Britain is in a critical situation. In 1945 we faced up to it and we can face up to it again but only by recapturing the purpose that we had in 1945, only by recapturing that socialist planning at home, socialist planning throughout the Commonwealth, socialist planning in Europe, is the basis of rescue for the ordinary man and woman everywhere."

"It is the only answer we can make. It is not the American answer."

"America has not found the answer," America is bewildered, Russia has not found the answer. But we have found it and for God's sake let us hold up our head and apply it with all the courage we possess."

Mr Bevan, as a member of the party executive, was replying to the official platform to a resolution which called on the party to embark on an immediate campaign against unemployment, urging Commonwealth co-operation and world trade as the best means to economic solvency.

It was unanimously adopted.

The conference tonight was keyed up in the expectancy of clashes later in the week between Bevanites and the official leaders.

A storm involving Britain's trade union chiefs broke out today over a resolution laying down a line for a campaign against the Conservative Government.

This motion included a suggestion that Labour should support the trade union movement where it was forced into industrial action to defend living standards.

**DEAKIN ANGRY.**

Mr Arthur Deakin, Transport Workers Union leader, stalked red faced to the platform to warn boozing left-wing protagonists of industrial action: "There is no decision you can take as a party that can commit the trade union movement to industrial action for political purposes."

As the noise increased, Mr Deakin shouted above the din: "You will listen if you want to get money off the trade unions."

Mr Deakin continued: "The Trades Union Congress has clearly gone on record against action of that character."

"We believe in Parliamentary democracy. If you want to destroy the future prospects of this party and delay the return of Labour to the government of this country, then pass this resolution. Under no circumstances will the executive of the unions become involved in actions of this character."

Mr Emmanuel Shinwell, former Labour Defence Minister, also warned the conference to avoid committing itself to a motion of this kind. Mr Shinwell told the conference to campaign as actively as possible against the Conservative Government by democratic methods.

He said industrial action was "not the way for the Labour Party."

The resolution was defeated by 3,989,000 votes to 1,728,000.

**IN UPROAR.**

Earlier the conference was plunged into an uproar by a long Labour Party resolution demanding that the next Labour government should re-nationalise industries freed from state ownership by the Conservatives.

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### Waiting For "Invaders"



Members of the Bornholm Home Guard in guerilla warfare, await the enemy's approach from the sea in the Bornholm area during "Exercise Mainbrace", which last week was carried out in the North Sea and the Baltic.—London Express.

### Britons Reported To Be Safe

Moscow, Sept. 29. Captain Vyvyan Holt, former British Minister to South Korea, interned since the outbreak of the Korean war, has sent a message to the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, saying that he is in good health, the British Embassy said here today.

The Embassy said: They had received the message for transmission to Mr Eden.

They had also received message from Mr G. Blake, former Vice-Consul in Korea. Mr Norman Phillips-Owen, former member of the Consular staff in South Korea, and the British Journalist, Mr Philip Deane, saying that they also were in good health.

All were interned by the North Koreans. Holt's message was the first from him for a year, the Embassy said.

A British Embassy spokesman here said, Captain Holt's message had been received from the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which transmitted it at the request of the North Korean Embassy in Moscow.

The message was written by typewriter and had no indications to show when and where it was written and when it had been received in Moscow.—Reuter.

### Artist Convict Disappears

Bismarck, Dakota, Sept. 29. An artist, John Harry Allen, who disappeared from the North Dakota penitentiary on Friday, may be hiding within the prison walls, it was believed today.

The Warden, Mr O. J. Nygaard, said that guards searched the prison for the fifth time on Sunday and that Allen might be in an extensive tunnel beneath the institution.

Allen will have to show himself soon if he is within the walls, Mr Nygaard said, as he would have no way of getting food.

Allen had previously escaped from prison in Alabama, Tennessee and Kansas and from a jail in Pocatello, Idaho.—United Press.

## Naguib Criticises British War Minister

### 'UNFORTUNATE' STATEMENTS

Cairo, Sept. 29. The Egyptian Premier, General Mohammed Naguib, today criticised Brigadier Anthony Head, British War Minister, for recent statements on Britain's military base in the Suez Canal zone.

In Fayid last week, Brigadier Head said that if Britain were without the base, it would be "a loss but not an irretrievable one."

His statement was criticised in the British Press, and when he returned to Britain a few days later the Brigadier said at London airport: "To have a base in Egypt is absolutely vital strategically."

He added: "There is no substantial credit for the Egyptian government to buy arms and ammunition in Britain for its Army and Air Force."

They said the British government appeared to be willing to supply arms that could be made readily available to Egypt.—United Press.

### Eddie Cantor Collapses

Hollywood, Sept. 29. The comedian Eddie Cantor went to hospital today and was ordered to remain in bed for a week. He had collapsed a few hours after he completed his first television show of the autumn season.

Cantor, 60, went through an hour-long show last night with a zip that drew an ovation from the studio audience. But two hours later he was taken to the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital.

His physician, Dr. Julius Kahn, said an examination indicated that Cantor was the victim of "complete exhaustion." He said he considered the comedian's condition good, but ordered him to stay in bed at the hospital.

Cantor had been scheduled to depart tomorrow on a tour to promote the bonds for Israel programme.—United Press.

### Demonstration At Cemetery

Brussels, Sept. 29. A crowd of 500 Flemings today pushed aside three policemen and broke into a cemetery near here to attend a ceremony at the tomb of a Flemish nationalist leader, executed as a collaborator during the war.

A woman was slightly injured in the clash between the demonstrators and the police.—Reuter.

### ARMED PURCHASES

Washington, Sept. 29. Authoritative sources said today that the British government

officials here strongly criticised Press reports which suggested that Britain would welcome the intervention of a private intermediary to settle oil production and marketing problems with Persia.

The Foreign Office has carefully abstained from criticising the activities of the American oil magnate, Mr William Alton Jones, who recently visited Mossadeh, but there is no disposition on the part of the British authorities to make any move which would cut out the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company.

The real stumbling block in the proposals made last week by Mossadeh is seen as the demand for £40 million in convertible currency. Some surprise has been expressed here that Mossadeh at no point referred to the American offer of \$10 million contained in the Anglo-American proposals lodged on August 30.—Reuter.

### PORTUGUESE SHIP LOST

Paris, Sept. 29. It was learned here that the Joao Costa, which was lost in the Atlantic off the coast of Spain, was a large Portuguese cod fishing boat and that she sank 50 miles north of the Azores.

American and Portuguese planes have been sent out to search for survivors. The ship was reported to have been carrying a complement of 90 of whom 12 have been picked up in lifeboats.

A further message from the American ship Compass said that she had engine trouble and had been obliged to interrupt her search.—France-Press.

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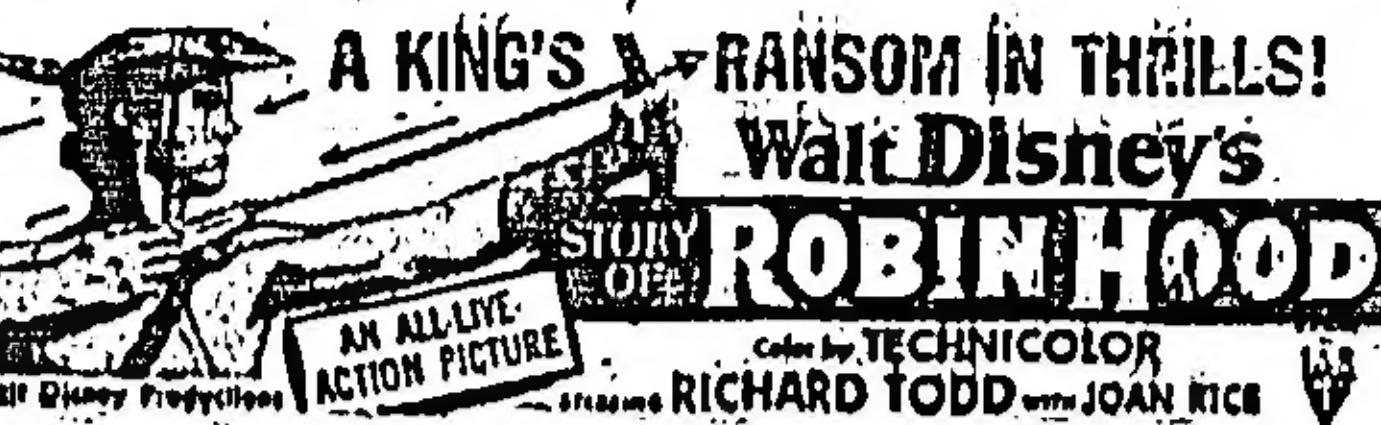
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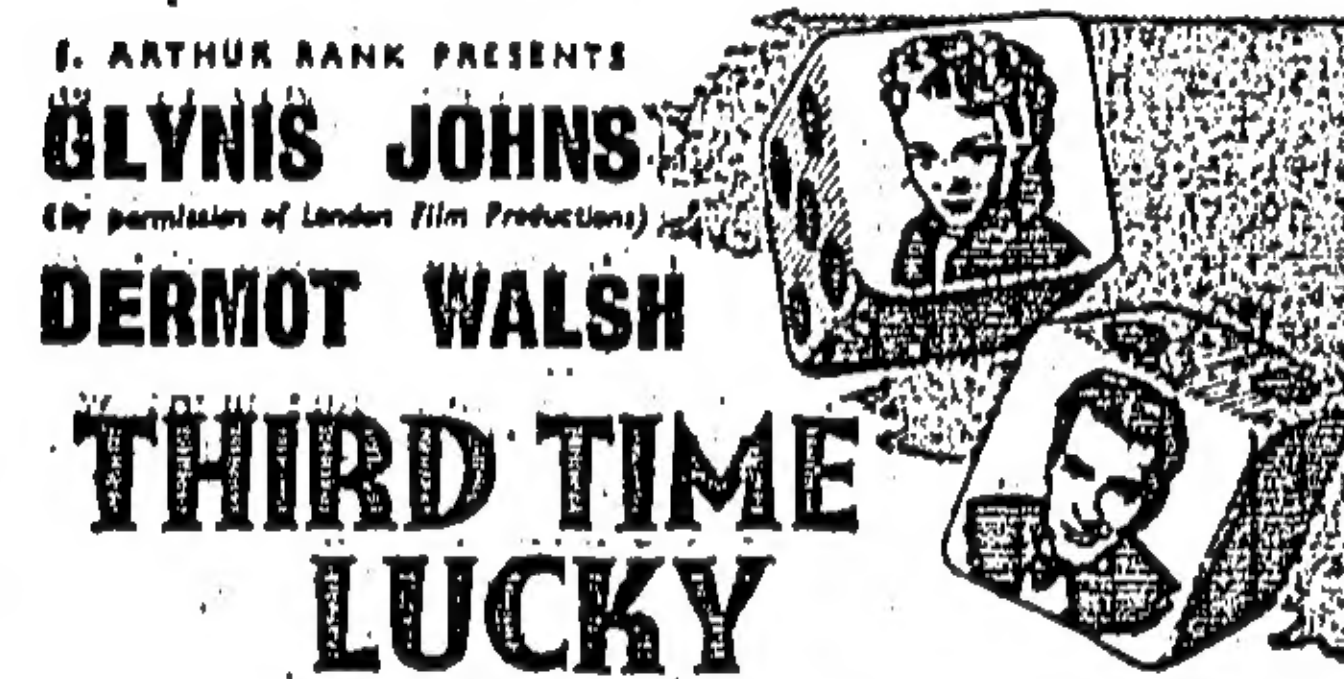


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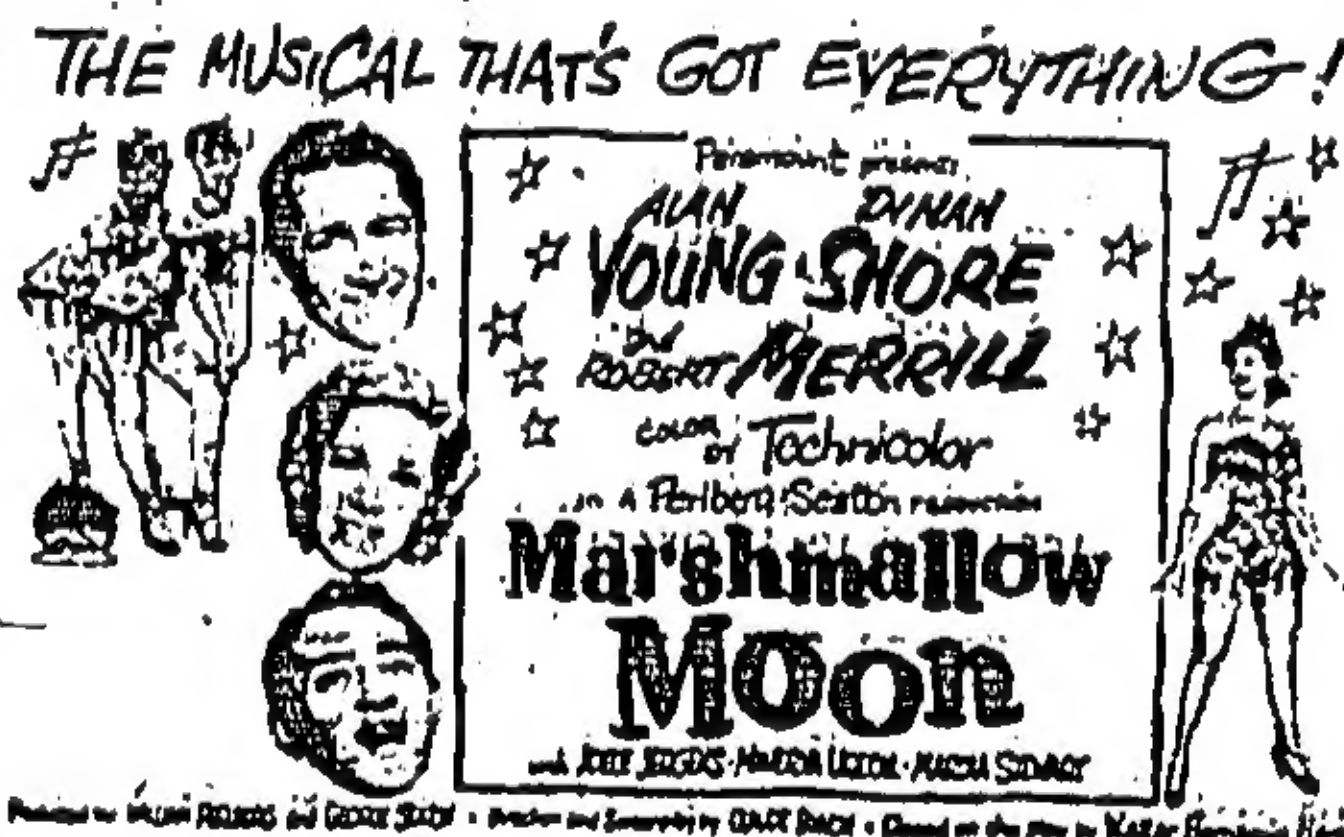
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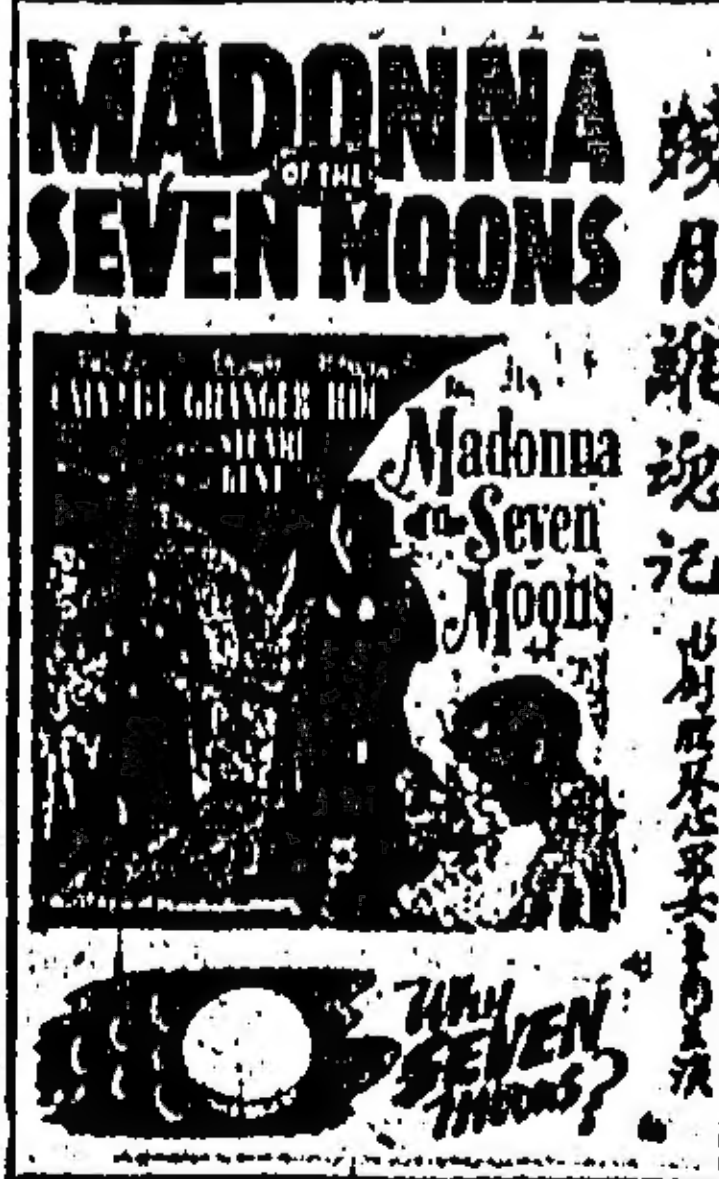
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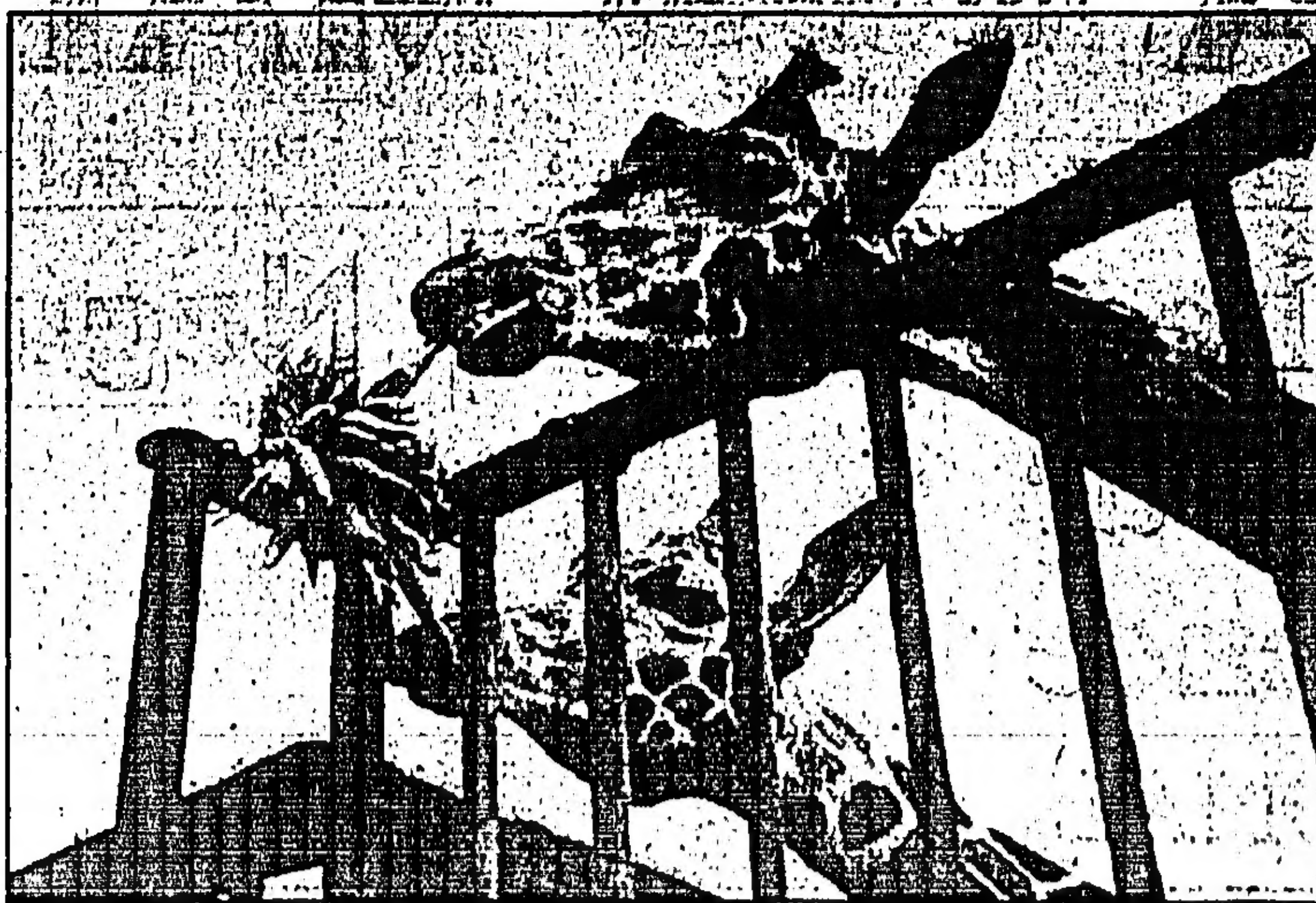


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## Pick Of The Bunch At London Zoo



Each identified enough not to show unseemly haste but clever enough not to be left far behind, Maude and Lucky, London Zoo giraffes, make a two-pronged attack on a bunch of carrots placed at a comfortable height on the top of their enclosure.—Reuterphoto.

## Crocodile On The Rampage

Sydney, Sept. 29.  
A five-foot crocodile used in a window display chewed its way out of a sack as it was being taken by car through the city's main streets.  
It snapped at the driver's legs, tore his clothes, made him swerve on to the foot-path.  
The driver and another man bolted. When they came back the crocodile was in the front seat. It took them 20 minutes, armed with pieces of wood, to recapture it.

## LONDON IS CHIC, TOO

### Little To Learn From New York

London, Sept. 29.  
Is the elegant U.S. woman as elegant as she is reputed to be? The Rev. R. I. J. Kaye, minister of Epson Methodist Church, doubts it.  
He is at present in charge of a Methodist church in the United States under an exchange-of-ministers plan.

In a letter from Alta, Iowa, to members of his church in Epson, he writes about his New York impressions:

"I had heard a lot about the chic American woman. I honestly think the women in London are just as attractively dressed."

Mrs Kaye thinks that other women in America are more smartly dressed, as they are "dressing" to a much later age than English women.  
On more serious matters, Mr Kaye says that "America, as a great Power, is now at the crest of the wave. Whether, out of the goodness of her heart, she will use her limitless energies just to help other countries is the big question today."

## Britain Helps Pakistan

Karachi, Sept. 29.  
Britain's aid to Pakistan has been diverted 9,000 tons of Australian wheat to Karachi, to help Pakistan over an acute food shortage during the next few weeks.

A grain ship has been re-routed while on its way from Australia to Britain and is due to arrive here tomorrow.

The wheat will help Pakistan over the next crucial few weeks until big supplies of wheat purchased in Turkey, Russia, Syria and the United States start arriving.—Reuter.

## NEXT CHANGE

## Attack On Eye Diseases In Colonial Empire

London, Sept. 29.  
A "story of positive achievement" in the attack on eye diseases in the Colonies is revealed in the annual report of the British Empire Society for the Blind.

Although Colonies cannot find all the money and skill needed to deal adequately with their problem of blindness, the effort which they made last year, comments the Report, "is adequate proof that they are ready to play their part in the campaign."

This year, for every Pound raised in the United Kingdom for the Blind Fund, at least a similar sum will be raised by the Colonies themselves; the expenditure of Colonial Governments on this work will be increased ten-fold.

The Society's investigations have revealed that most, probably three quarters, of the blindness and eye disease in the Colonies is preventable. Field research into the causes and extent of eye disease and into methods of prevention is, therefore, given a foremost place in the Society's plans.

Research surveys are to be conducted in Nigeria, the Northern Territories of the Gold Coast, the Cameroons, Kenya, Uganda, and—If funds and staff are available—in Central Africa and in the Colonies in South-East Asia.

Other plans for the campaign are outlined in the Report. Amongst these are—the establishment of 15 new centres for education and training; the printing of Braille school text books in certain Colonial languages for use in blind schools; and training courses for serving officers and their wives on leave in the United Kingdom from Colonial territories.

LESSONS IN BRAILLE  
These courses, arranged by the Society in conjunction with the "Corona Club", will include preliminary lessons in Braille and visits to organisations for the blind in the locally where the "student" is on leave.

The outstanding feature of the past year's work has been the formation of Organisations for the Blind in 18 Colonies.  
In Africa, where previously only three Colonial centres for the blind existed, there is now only one British colony without its own blind welfare organisation.

The first major research party to investigate the causes of blindness and eye diseases in the Colonies leaves for West Africa on October 23.

Leading the party is Dr F. C. Rodger, an ophthalmic surgeon. He will be accompanied by Mr C. Crisp, an entomologist, who recently completed an important research investigation at Leeds University.

THREE-YEAR SURVEY  
They will carry out a three-year survey in the Northern Territories of the Gold Coast, particularly in the area known as the "Country of the Blind," where the disease known as "River Blindness" caused by a river fly, is rife. They expect

to spend their third year in Northern Nigeria and the Cameroons. They will take with them the latest scientific equipment including a mobile clinic with its own generating plant. Dr Rodger will therefore be able to perform eye operations in the field, in addition to his research work.

Skilled assistants, trained technicians, and interpreters are to be recruited locally.  
Mr Oliver Lyttelton, Secretary of State for the Colonies, stated at a Press conference that there are few Colonial questions of "so much pressing importance as this particular one."

The British Empire Society for the Blind has raised between £29,000 and £30,000 through appeals to individual associations and organisations. A donation of £4,000 was made by the Commonwealth Education and Welfare Trust—London Express Service.

## Returning To Post

Washington, Sept. 29.  
The State Department said today that Mr George Kennan, attacked by the Moscow newspaper "Pravda" as a "slanderer in the disguise of a diplomat", would return to Moscow to resume his duties as United States Ambassador.

The State Department spokesman, Mr Michael McDermott, said: "The Soviet Government itself has not protested against Mr Kennan's statements last week, when he compared life in Moscow to the time when he was interned by the Nazis in Berlin in 1942."

Mr Kennan will return to Moscow after attending a conference of American Ambassadors in London.—Reuter.

## Queuing Up For Toscanini

London, Sept. 29.  
Early today about 70 people began a two-day wait outside the Royal Festival Hall for tickets for the second Toscanini concert on Wednesday.  
They queued alongside more than 200 Toscanini enthusiasts wrapped in blankets against the cold wind, who were waiting for the 2/6d. standing-room tickets for tonight's concert.—Reuter.

## Mother's Plea Succeeds

### Son Restored After 10-Year Absence

Frankfurt, Sept. 29.  
A Yugoslav mother's plea for her 11-year-old son here today swayed a United States court of appeals to reverse its own earlier decision and restore him to her after a 10-year absence.  
She is Mrs Pircnik, whom the Nazis sent to a concentration camp in 1942 after shooting her husband. The boy, Ivan, was six months old at the time but she traced him after the war to a Sudeten German couple in Kassel and sued for his return.

A United States district court in Germany decided against the mother and the appeals court, with the same judges as today, upheld the decision last July by a two to one vote.

Yugoslav newspapers violently attacked the verdict, especially since Chief Judge William Clark said that it was partly based on the belief that Ivan, would be better off in democratic West Germany than in Communist Yugoslavia.

But a rehearing was ordered when Mrs Pircnik demanded a personal hearing in court.

One of the two associate judges reversed his earlier decision in favour of the boy's natural mother.

The other had favoured her all along.  
"I WILL FIGHT"  
They said that in spite of their dislike of the Yugoslav regime, they had decided that the mother's plea could not be rejected solely because she lives in a Communist country.

Mrs Pircnik, impassive throughout the reading of the verdict, which she did not understand, broke into smiles when Yugoslav friends and officials rushed to congratulate her.

Two hundred excited local people gathered outside the home of the Sirsch family at Lohfelden, near Kassel, when they heard of the court's decision.

"I will fight them if they try to take me away," Ivan said firmly to his foster mother in front of reporters.  
Frau Sirsch admitted, however, that the boy had been gathering photographs of his home, his foster-family and the township, to take away with him as souvenirs.

The Sirsch couple said they did not expect to see the boy again, even though Mrs Pircnik has offered to invite them to Yugoslavia from time to time.—Reuter.

## Historic Navy Document Handed Over

London, Sept. 29.  
The Royal New Zealand Navy was today presented with an illuminated address, given by the former East Stonehouse Urban Council, Plymouth, to the British cruiser HMS Philomel over 50 years ago.

The address had lain in a store at the Royal Naval Barracks at Devonport since Philomel paid off.  
Lieut. J. H. L. Adair, the Admiralty suggested that rather than allow the historic document to remain hidden away, Plymouth might present it to the RNZN for display in HMS Philomel, the training depot at Auckland.

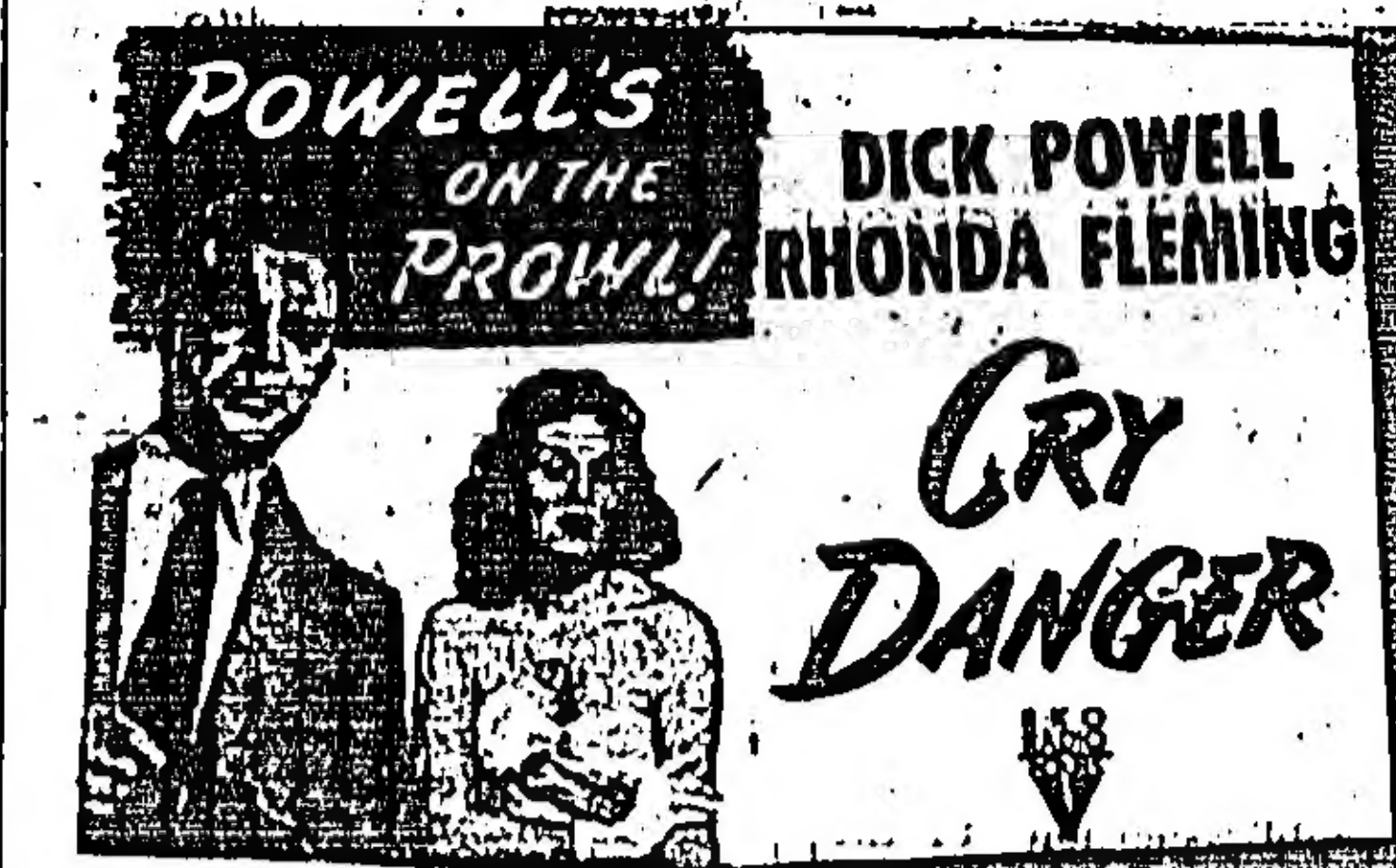
The Lord Mayor of Plymouth, Alderman, H. E. Wright, today handed the address to Warship Officer Shipwright R. P. Shipley of the New Zealand cruiser Bellona, now at Plymouth, who will be responsible for its safe custody until it is handed over to Philomel.—Reuter.

## Henry VIII's Cellar To Be On View

London, Sept. 29.  
The Daily Express says that Henry VIII's wine cellar, minus the wine in Whitehall Gardens, London, will be open to the public from Saturday October 4.  
The cellar is one of the few remains of the Tudor Palace of Whitehall, which Henry took over in 1529.—Reuter.

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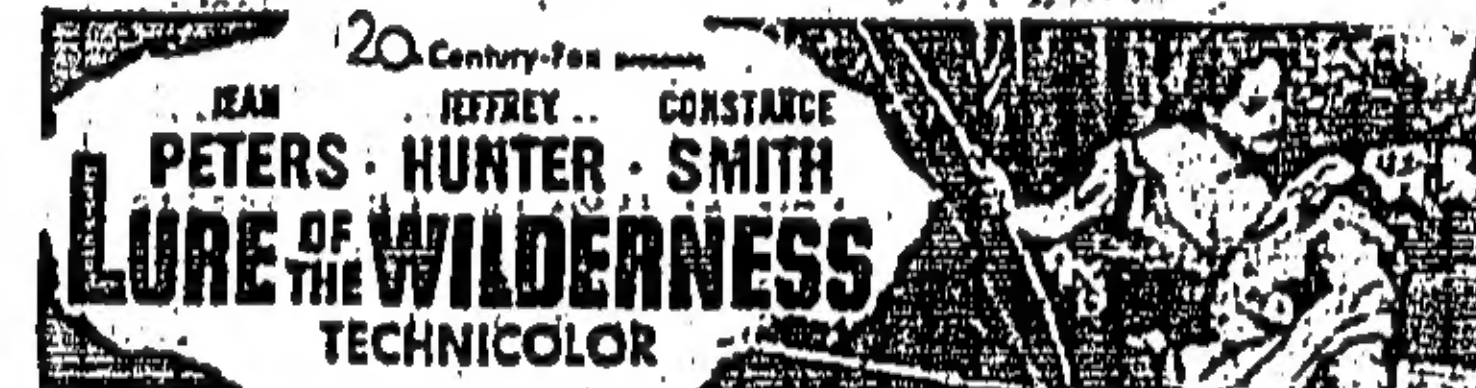
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## Snipers

Berlin, Sept. 29.  
A "Society for the Promotion of Sharp-shooting" has been formed in East Germany.  
Its aim is to turn all able-bodied youths and adults into "snipers dangerous to all enemies of the people."

## BRITAIN REVEALS SECRETS

### America Given Data On Atomic Tests

London, Sept. 29.  
Britain has passed some secrets about her coming atomic weapon tests off northern Australia to the United States.

Although no American observers have been invited to attend the tests, the approximate date and time of the explosion together with the nature and power of the weapons have been disclosed to the American authorities.

This is intended among other things to enable scientists in the United States to test new methods for detecting atomic explosions at long-range.

The improvement of long-range detection methods would enable the Allies to keep close checks on Soviet Russia's atomic tests. That, presumably, is the prime purpose of the British disclosure.

In Wellington, New Zealand, the British nuclear physicist, Sir John Cockcroft, who is in search of facts about New Zealand uranium deposits, said today that the country's geology was "not very promising" for any important discovery of uranium.

Sir John, director of Britain's Atomic Energy Establishment at Harwell, is due to leave Auckland by air for the United States tonight.

He was particularly interested in the work of the Rutherford Institute at Nelson, which does tell and insect research, including pest control.

Sir John said this work was "just as exciting" as his own field of atomic research. Associated Press and Reuter.

### Baudouin Receives Japanese Envoy

Brussels, Sept. 29.  
Ambassador Shoji Arakawa, Japan's first post-war envoy to Belgium, presented his credentials to King Baudouin today.

The Ambassador was introduced to the young monarch by M. Paul Van Zeeland, the Belgian Foreign Minister. Reuter.

## Proposed For East Europe STRASBOURG APPROVES BRITISH MP'S PLAN

Strasbourg, Sept. 29.  
Plans for Marshall-type aid for Eastern Europe to "loosen the Soviet grip" were today unanimously adopted by the Council of Europe Consultative Assembly of fifteen nations.

The British Conservative, Mr. Tufton Beamish, proposed a four-point plan to "hasten the day when all countries of Europe shall be able to feel free to become members of the Council."

He told the Assembly: "Our own view is that Stalin is finding his European colonies a decreasing asset and perhaps in some ways a liability."

His four points were:  
1. He proposed a blueprint for economic aid—on Marshall Plan lines—for Eastern Europe when its nations were "freed."

Mr. Beamish said: "I believe the most powerful factor that could help to loosen the Soviet grip on Europe would be the knowledge that there is a similar programme for recovery when the time is ripe."  
2. More East-West trade. He said the answer lay between an economic blockade and unrestricted trade.

3. Better propaganda and publicity—it might be found that "far too little money" was being spent on broadcasting and that the result had been "confusion" among our listeners which must lead in the end to despair," Mr. Beamish said.  
4. More attention to refugees. "Could we not do more to welcome and care for new refugees who find their way across what they call the green frontiers?" he asked.

**SUPREMACY EFFORT**  
Mr. Beamish declared: "A supremacy effort must be made to maintain a sense of mutual interest in withstanding Communist pressure in trying to break the sense of spiritual isolation felt increasingly by the people of the occupied countries and show that liberty is a living thing."

"Our policy must be to weaken the Iron Curtain, not to reinforce it. Let our policy towards the Soviet Union be one of determined containment based on firm foundations that have already been built in the free world and not least in this Assembly itself."

The Assembly unanimously approved Mr. Beamish's resolution after widening its scope from European countries "now subject to a foreign constraint" to include totalitarian regimes.  
Mr. Beamish had referred to Spain and Yugoslavia as "right and left" wing home-bred dictatorships, respectively, and obviously not eligible for membership of the Council, though I hope they will be one day."

Austria, Finland, Switzerland and Portugal were nations "whose full membership would be welcomed."

**EMPIRE AS MODEL**  
Another British Conservative, Mr. Julian Amery, was elected Rapporteur to the Committee of General Affairs, which has been privately trying to harmonise conflicting views on the relationship between the "inner six" nations of the Schuman Coal-Steel Pool and the Council of Europe.

Citing the example of the British Commonwealth, he said: "Our task is to establish a kind of Commonwealth relationship between the six-power group on the one hand and the other European countries on the other."

But advocates of a separate "Little Europe" fought back in the debate. Three Italian representatives tabled amendments which would sever the links between the proposed political union of the six "Little Europe" nations and the rest of Europe.  
The French Socialist, M. Guy Mollet, Chairman of the General Affairs Committee, which offered a detailed scheme of "association" between the six and the other member nations, intervened to tell the Assembly: "These amendments are carried there will be absolutely nothing left of our proposals."

The Italian representative, Signor Giuseppe Caron, moved the amendments after Mr. Amery had urged the six nations to keep contact with Britain.

**ITALIAN PLAN**  
"It would be very dangerous," Mr. Amery said, "if anybody seriously thought that Britain's European policy could be influenced by presenting her with a series of faits accomplis."

Signor Caron's amendments, supported by the Italian representatives, Giuseppe Chiosso, and Enrico Faletti, called for a long draft resolution by which the majority of the Assembly should associate the Council of Europe with the six countries of the Schuman Coal-Steel Pool—France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

The Italians proposed to:  
1. Delete a provision that the Assembly of the Coal-Steel Pool should meet in the building of the Council of Europe at Strasbourg.  
2. Admit "non-Pool" observers to public sittings of the Pool Assembly but not to its committees.

3. Delete the "Political Community" of the six from the list of bodies which non-members would be invited to attend.  
4. Delete a whole section by which it is proposed that the Council of Europe and the six should use the same civil service.

**TWO LINKS**  
The Assembly was on the first day of its final debate of this session.  
The proposal of the Assembly's main Committee of General Affairs suggested two principal "links" between the six and the 15.

1. Observers from other countries are to attend six-nation bodies with the right to speak but not vote.  
2. All six-nation assemblies, present and future, are to be concentrated at the seat of the 15-nation Council—Strasbourg—and use the same officials.

Signor Chiosso, one of the three Italians introducing the amendments, later intervened in the debate, saying: "We would be willing to withdraw our amendments if it is repeated once more that the Council of Europe wants to work in collaboration with the other organization."

The Greek member, Leon Maccas, said his country and Turkey were the "eastern wing" of the Council, which should "as rapidly as possible add to that wing and introduce in the Council on full members, Yugoslavia and Austria."

He thought that already "the road is being paved considerably in Belgrade towards the Yugoslav joining the European family." The debate was adjourned until tomorrow. Reuter.



## Cambridge Professor Honoured

Berlin, Sept. 29.  
German physicists today awarded the "Max Planck" Medal for special services in physics research to the British scientist and Nobel Prize winner, Professor Paul Dirac of London.

Announcement of the award was made at a German physicists congress which opened here today.

Professor Dirac was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1933. The "Max Planck" Foundation was set up with the support of German industry in 1928 to stimulate scientific research.

First holders of the medal were the German atom scientist, Max Planck, who died in 1947, aged 89, and the German-born scientist and mathematician, Albert Einstein, who is now living in the United States.

Professor Dirac is known in scientific circles for his research into electronics. The congress, which was attended by over 1,000 scientists from East and West Germany and many foreign guests, has decided to meet next year jointly with the Austrian Physicist League, which had invited them to Innsbruck.

Professor Dirac is Professor of Mathematics at Cambridge. At the time when he won the Nobel prize of £2,000 in 1933 for his work on the atom, he was Cambridge's youngest Professor.

He has been variously called the second greatest mathematician of earth and an "Einstein the Second." He demonstrated his brilliance while still in rompers. When he was three he invented a word "Noojum" to describe an infinite number of anything. He was an advanced mathematician at 23 and at 27 he delivered a lecture on his new conception of the Quantum Theory, which startled grey-bearded professors. Reuter.

## Gromyko Going To Moscow

Berlin, Sept. 29.  
M. Andrei Gromyko, Soviet Ambassador to Britain, has booked a passage on a British plane due to arrive here from London tomorrow night.

M. Gromyko arrived in London to take up his post on July 28.

Officials of British European Airways assumed the Russian Ambassador would go on to Moscow after a short stay in East Berlin.

The first Congress of the All-Union Communist Party to be held in Moscow since the war starts on October 5. Marshal Stalin and all political and military leaders of importance in Russia will be attending. Pravda reported four days ago. Reuter.

## Over 1,000 Horses In Show At Harringay

London, Sept. 29.  
The biggest indoor horse show ever to be staged in this country—there are 1,540 entries, 60 less than at the International Horse Show at the White City last month—is to be presented at Harringay between October 5 and 11.

It is the "Horse of the Year" show. Entries in 1951 numbered 1,325, and in 1950 numbered 903.

And, for the first time since the war, Germany is to compete in the team and individual events.

Other countries to be represented will be Spain, France, Northern Ireland and Eire. Missing are Chile, second to us at Helsinki, and the U.S.

Britain's Olympic Gold Medal team are among the entries—Colonel Harry Llewellyn's Foxhunter, whose unofficial biography is to be published towards the end of October; Nizafel, ridden by Cheshire farmer Mr. Wilfred White, and Aherlow, for which the Royal Scots Greys, may get leave to ride.

Highest prize money for the £250,000 worth of horses to aim at is £2,200. That is the award to the winner of the British Show Jumping Association's Leading Jumper of the year competition. Most of the leading show jumpers qualify for this, including Foxhunter.

For women show jumpers there is the Diana Stakes, an international event.

What might have been an international "incident" has been avoided. Bones, a horse belonging to the British Army of the Rhine and full-blooded German, has jumped for England.

But he will not be in the team to oppose the Germans. He is back with the BAOR—London Express Service.

## JAP TOURIST INDUSTRY

Tokyo, Sept. 29.  
Japan's tourist industry made a sparkling recovery in 1951, the Transportation Ministry revealed today.

During the year, 80,238 tourists—a dominant proportion of them being Japanese—visited Japan. The Ministry's tourist section said. In 1950, visitors totaled 21,339 and spent \$9,040,000. Forty-seven per cent of the bills the tourists paid in Japan were for hotels and food, the report said. United Press.

## General Ridgway's Analysis Of Western Europe's Potentialities For Defence

### INADEQUATE IN EVERY WAY

Paris, Sept. 29.  
General Matthew Ridgway, Allied Supreme Commander in Europe, said here today that the Western defence forces were "inadequate in every way" to meet the threat of an immediate all-out aggression.

Addressing American correspondents who had been following the naval "Exercise Mainbrace," the General said: "No nation today, face to face with a potential aggressor, could maintain a standing force sufficient to ensure its safety."

"We have slight covering forces which we must back up with reserves."

"The whole thing is inadequate at present against an all-out effort. We do not have adequate covering forces on an emergency D-Day basis and we do not have adequate reserves to back them up, nor do we have adequate logistics."

"We are urging the governments of Allied countries to provide us with an absolute minimum. We cannot be satisfied with less and so long as I am commander, we will not be satisfied with less."

General Ridgway said the disparity of forces between the East and West would exist for weeks and months ahead and would give very little latitude for a mobile war on land.

**DELAYING ACTION**  
"If war occurs we will still have to fight a defensive war—a delaying action, if you like. We will use the mobility of our naval and air strength to the maximum of our ability but we cannot count on having a mobile

### GREAT SHORTAGE

"Once the men there in those isolated posts were conscious of the tremendous naval and air power behind them, it added incalculable strength to them," he said.

"I would have naval petty officers visit units in the mountains of Norway and army non-commissioned officers spend some time as observers at sea," he added.

Answering questions on American military construction, General Ridgway said the United States forces had a very great shortage of steel construction personnel.

The United States Air Force, he said, had very few people suited to the work of airfield construction, and high-calibre civilian constructors insisted on having their families with them on building sites, which added to the difficulties.

Answering other questions, General Ridgway said he was negotiating with the French Government over the construction of a pipeline system to supply jet planes with sufficient fuel. Money for this construction had been ready for a year. Reuter.

## THE TOAST IS VODKA

### Britain Gets Habit From The Poles

London, Sept. 29.  
All over Britain, more people than ever are drinking vodka.

This fiery liquor, though traditionally associated with Russia, is imported mostly from Poland.

The vodka drinking habit, which has developed so much in recent years, is mainly attributed to the influence of Eastern Europeans, especially Poles, who came here during the war and brought their customs with them.

"We import thousands of cases of vodka every year, much of it by air, and distribute it throughout Britain," said the representative of a large firm.

Polish officials in Britain, and visitors from behind the Iron Curtain, drink most of it. "It helps to make them feel at home," said this representative. "And there are no special restrictions upon its import."

## Death Railway Pilgrimage

Bangkok, Sept. 29.  
A party of Australians, led by Padre Thorpe of Baharist, is visiting the notorious "death railway" where many Australian and British POWs worked and died during the war.

Padre Thorpe, who had been touring South-east Asia accompanied by Mr. B. C. Ballard, Australian Minister in Thailand, and members of the Australian community in Bangkok, arrived yesterday at Kanburi. That end of the railway, and held a brief religious ceremony where wreaths were laid in the cemetery on behalf of the Australian Legation and Australian, English, Scottish ex-POW associations.

Padre Thorpe himself worked on the railway during the war. Reuter.

## Journalist Dies In Prison

Rome, Sept. 29.  
Dr. Lado Togh, Hungarian journalist sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in the Mindszenty trial in Budapest in 1949, has died in prison, Vatican Radio reported today.

Dr. Togh was for many years the chief editor of the Catholic paper Nemzeti Ismer. He was one of six found guilty of high treason with Cardinal Mindszenty, Bishop of Hungary, by the People's Court in February 1949. Reuter.

## Foreign Office Explains

London, Sept. 29.  
Russia can climb into negotiations with the West for the reunification of Germany which will ensure German freedom, says a booklet published by the British Government today.

Prepared by the Foreign Office and the Central Office of Information, the booklet "Germany's place in the New Europe" provides a detailed explanation of post-war Allied policy in Germany, from the breakdown of the four-power control system laid down by the 1945 Potsdam agreement to the inclusion of Western Germany in the European Defence Community.

It maintains that each stage in the developments which have produced the present division of Germany and its integration with the other countries of Western Europe was made inevitable by Soviet policy.

The Russians, it states, "can still enter into negotiations for the unity of Germany on terms which will ensure the freedom of Germany."

"Nothing in the new agreements with the German Federal Republic will prevent such negotiations being held," Reuter.

## WINDSOR HAS X-RAY

London, Sept. 29.  
The Duke of Windsor had an X-ray examination at a London hospital today, a few hours after his arrival from France on a private visit to his mother, Queen Mary.

A member of his personal staff said later: "There is nothing wrong with the Duke. The examination was a check-up on his condition."

The 68-year-old Duke was X-rayed at the same hospital on September 25 last year. Reuter.

## Duke's Malta Visit

London, Sept. 29.  
The Duke of Edinburgh will fly to Malta on November 28 for a visit to the island during which, on November 26, he will present the Queen's Colour to the Royal Marine Commando Brigade. The Duke will return by air on December 2. Reuter.

## Survey Of 'Unfit' Homes Urged By Planning Council

London, Sept. 29.  
A call for a national survey of the "vast number" of homes in bad condition will be made at the annual conference of the National Housing and Town Planning Council, which opens on Oct. 29 at Southampton.

A resolution will urge the Government to introduce measures to stem the deterioration of rented homes and to enable local authorities to enforce effectively the provisions of the Housing Acts.

A complete session of the conference will be devoted to the problem of deterioration. About 1,700 delegates from local authorities will attend.

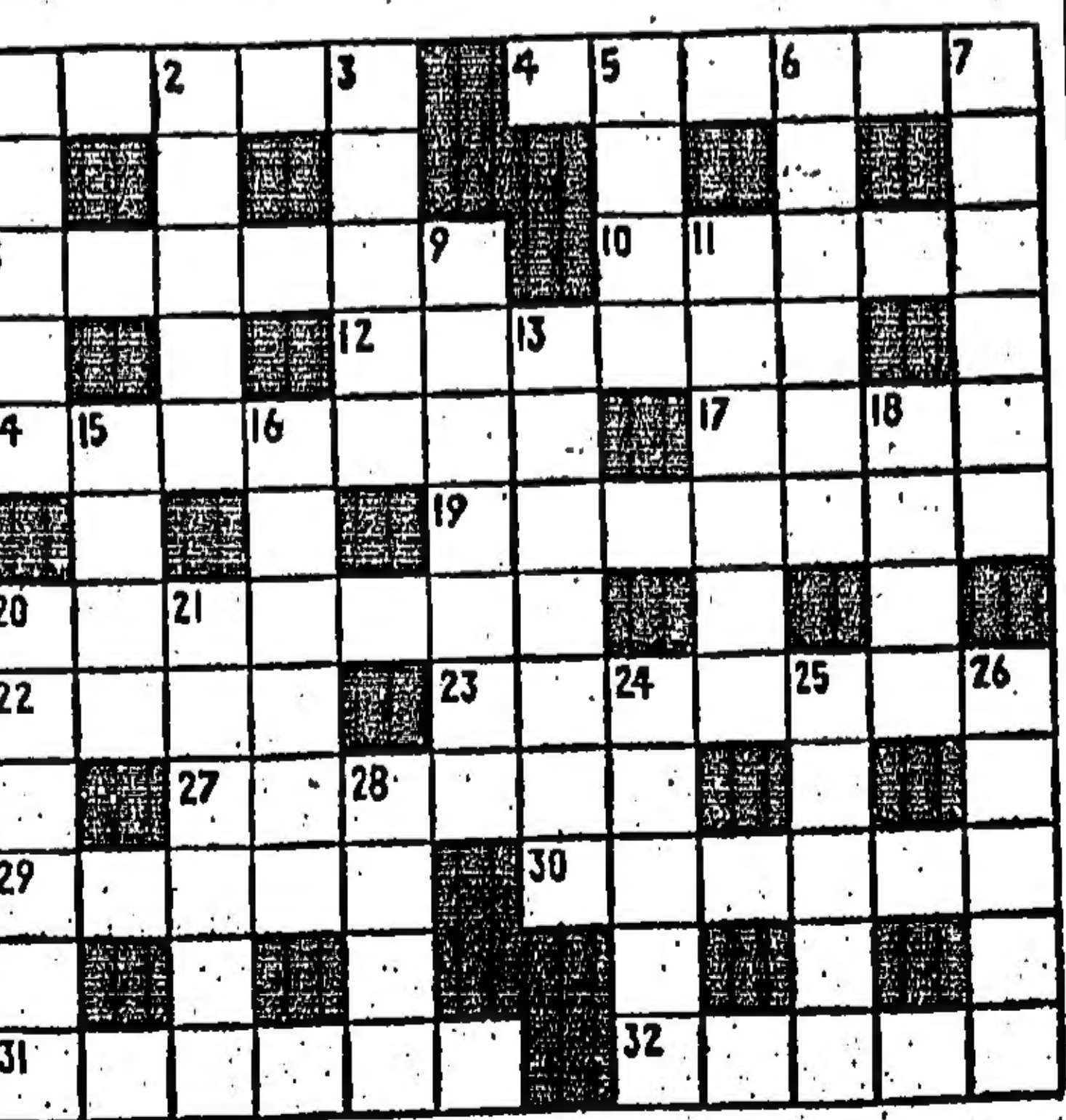
Mr. E. R. R. Mengham, deputy secretary of the Council, said: "There has been no comprehensive survey which would show how many houses are in need of extensive repair, reconditioning, closure or demolition."

**850,000 HOMES UNFIT**  
"But there can be no real argument against the assertion there are at least 850,000 homes unfit, incapable of being made fit at reasonable cost, or unsuitable for repair or reconditioning."

"Difficulties in the administration and enforcement of the 1930 Housing and Public Health Acts, apparent before 1939, are almost insuperable now. Local authorities and the courts cannot reconcile the reasonable cost of repairs and rent restriction."

"A national survey would produce facts and figures necessary to give the Government inspectors in various towns."

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Dance (5).
  - Finched (6).
  - Tended (6).
  - Animal (5).
  - Sea robber (6).
  - Strive with (7).
  - Garden basket (4).
  - Place (7).
  - Remove, as difficulties (7).
  - Fuel (4).
  - Oriental (7).
  - Pure (6).
  - Accumulate (5).
  - Verse (6).
  - Additions (6).
  - Revise (5).
- DOWN**
- Renovate (5).
  - Mingle with (5).
  - Skilled (5).
  - Ancient Peruvian (4).
  - Photographic apparatus (6).
  - Flood (6).
  - Swells (7).
  - Bear witness (6).
  - Says again (7).
  - Garment (4).
  - Farmers (6).
  - Consumer (4).
  - Drug (6).
  - Empty (6).
  - Pigment (5).
  - Weird (5).
  - Famous (5).
  - Continent (4).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 3 Affluent, 8 Loot, 9 Reprieve, 11 Elevated, 13 Stern, 15 Prohibit, 18 Delicate, 19 Byte, 21 Dollars, 23 Collated, 26 Char, 27 Scraping. Down: 1 Clue, 2 Dops, 4 Fret, 5 Lord, 6 Event, 7 Therm, 9 Rabid, 10 Peril, 12 Lorry, 14 Enter, 16 Beret, 17 Timid, 19 Backs, 20 Ruler, 21 Damp, 22 Tent, 23 Echo, 24 Serf.



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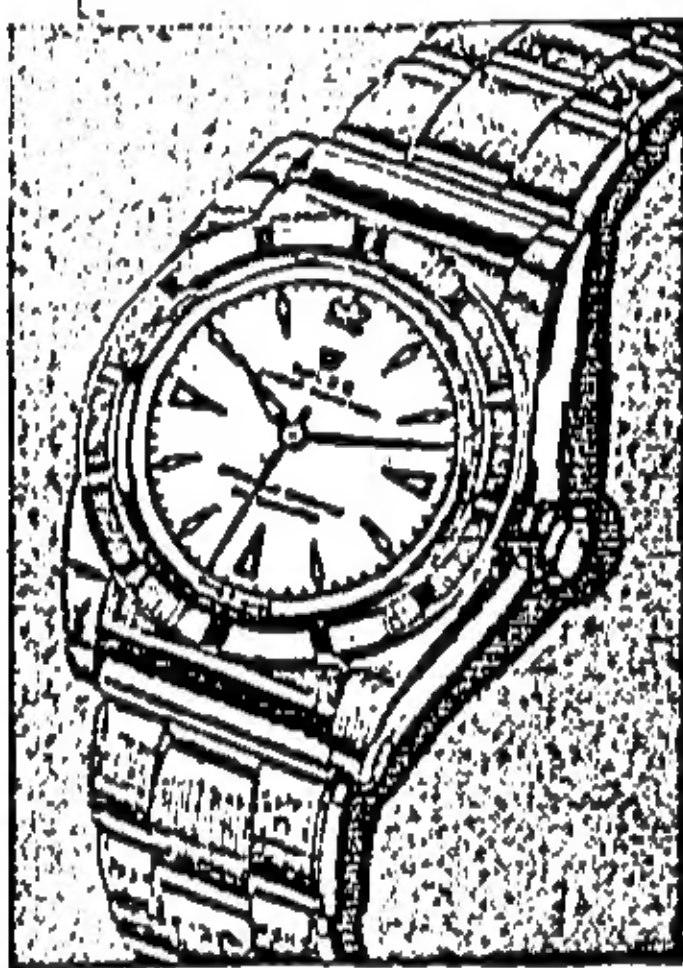
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London Express Service

# POLYBIOS KYRIAKIDES, CYPRUS OIL DIVINER

**A**RE we in for a new wave of "wonder workers" like that which followed the first war? I hope not. For that wave swept in the supreme champion of them all, Herr Adolf Hitler, and presented us with the "wonders" of the Third Reich and the second world war.

There are portents and symptoms, however, which must not be ignored. In Germany there is a novelist who has won a vast following—but not as a novelist. He persuades people to eat-unboiled, mind you—hen's eggs which have been fertile for nine days. Cures are reported for almost everything from coughs to corns.

In Persia there is that estimable old miracle man Dr Mossadegh. And now, on a trip to Cyprus, I have run into Polybios Kyriakides the oil diviner.

I was roaming around Cyprus at the time trying to see how we are getting on with the job of fixing up that island as a Mediterranean super base.

For the last couple of years the planners have kept whispering that Cyprus is of vital strategic importance; that it is the alternative to Fayid, Ismailia, and the rest if we have to get out from the Suez Canal; that Cyprus has been designated as the H.Q. for the new Middle East Command.

Well, I found that nothing had been done at all. No new radar stations have been put in, no attempt has been made to modernise the hopelessly inadequate harbours. Not a hand has been lifted to put the neglected airfields into shape or build new ones.

There was no change—except for 47-year-old Polybios. And what an "except" he is. For I found Polybios not only divining oil but drilling for it as well.

Yes, sir, a 210ft. American oil derrick has been set up on a rather derelict-looking strip of land hard by the Mediterranean shore nine miles from ancient Limassol.

**• I meet a fanatic who LIVES oil**  
**• Thousands believe he can divine it**  
**• And all the time he bores away...**

When I came upon him Polybios was just having another 60ft. of boring shaft added to his long drill. The drill had already cut down through rock, salt water, and clay to a depth of 3,200ft. in search of the oil.

Since then he has got down to 3,800ft. my latest news from Cyprus tells me.

Polybios "feels" the oil is under the ground here—at a depth he says of approximately 4,500ft.—just as he successfully "felt" the presence of water at other places on the island.

Two oil experts from the Iraq Petroleum Com-

by  
**SEFTON DELMER**

pany, after a £150,000 oil survey of the island, told him that they would tear up their diplomas if he ever strikes oil here. But that does not worry Polybios.

Nor does it worry his Cypriot backers, who have put up £80,000 to finance the drilling. For Polybios has struck water on the island in spots where all the experts of the British Colonial governor had declared no water could be found. All Cyprus is confident that Polybios will triumph over the experts again. "The oil in the ground sends up electronic vibrations," Polybios, haggard, swarthy faced and with the burning eyes of the fanatic, assured me.

"I react to those vibrations," I am sensitive to them just as I am sensitive to similar emanations sent up by water."

"How do you know you are reacting to oil and not to water?" I asked him.

"There is a difference in the feel," I have been to oilfields at Ploesti in Rumania," I tested

it out. I had exactly the same feeling there as I have here."

His backers tested him out themselves—in Cyprus. They made him walk over fields in which they had buried tin of petrol under the ground.

When Polybios divined them one after the other they were completely satisfied.

## HIS GADGETS

**O**IL and drilling for oil was a completely unknown science to Polybios, when he and his backers started on this venture—just as the German novelist who has launched the egg-swallowing cult has no academic knowledge of medicine.

Basra, at 500 m.p.h. and at 35,000 feet altitude, a Comet jet airliner flew recently on a proving flight over Baghdad. And at Basra radio station, Hassan Soliman, a 22-year-old Arab radio mechanic, lingered entranced by a radar instrument.

His brown eyes shone in his bronzed face at the thought that he had played his part, small as it was, in a Comet's flight across Iraq, the land where first they told of the Magic Carpet. For Hassan himself is only one generation removed from a desert tent.

The ancient minaret wired for a recorded muzzling; the desert Arab at his radio; at every point in the Middle East there is this clash between the medieval and the modern.

Hassan belongs to a new class steadily growing throughout the East. The skilled tradesmen are distinct from the traditional craftsmen, and foreign-trained technicians who returned to become managers or specialists. He is the man with the spanner—something quite novel in the Middle East.

Yet within one generation Hassan and his fellows have emerged with an identity sufficiently distinctive to merit a political tag. The Young Effendi. He has no parallel in Europe's industrial history. Tradesmen

But Polybios is an engineer by profession and a good one. For he succeeded in learning enough out of handbooks to teach himself and his small staff of three mechanics all they needed to know about the job of drilling for oil.

He converted engines from three British Valentine tanks he bought from a scrap heap to drive his winches and drills. He has himself designed and forged a whole series of gadgets needed in the drilling.

He has shown fascinating ingenuity in overcoming various difficulties, among them the opposition of the sceptical British authorities to letting him have any dollars for imported machinery. Oil experts who have seen him at work with his derrick and borer say that the technical business of drilling is being carried out as perfectly as it could be by any oil technicians of long standing.

Polybios lives with the drill night and day. He has been at it since the derrick was first put up last autumn. His young wife was sitting on an upturned barrel darning his socks and

gloomily watching him when I found them.

"I wish he would come home just once in a while," she said. "But he won't leave it. So I have to come out here."

## SIGN OF TIMES?

**I**S it a sign of the times, this faith that the Cypriots have in the oil man? Is there a wave of credulity which follows in the wake of wars?

The Persian mobs last year were convinced that their good Doctor would usher in an era of wealth and ease for them.

So were the Germans convinced that Hitler would conquer the world, and make them a rich, slave-owning Herrenvolk.

There is one difference, though, between wonder-man Polybios and "these others." I should like to see him succeed.

And I wish our own authorities in the Middle East had some of the drive and fanaticism that have made him raise this derrick, even if he never strikes oil.

(London Express Service.)

# HASSAN, THE COMING MAN OF THE MIDDLE EAST

By a Special Correspondent

From his village school, whose syllabus is mainly Koranic, he was picked out at twelve years of age to be sent to a secondary school in Basra. At 16 he was selected by competitive examination to train at government expense as a radio mechanic. Now, at 22 he is earning £22 a month, compared with a doctor's 60 to 80, and a labourer's seven to 10 a month. (One dinar equals £1).

On first acquaintance he is not so convivial as many of his less progressive countrymen; he is trying too hard to Westernise himself. He has an adolescent bashfulness. He dresses in Western style, wears an open-necked shirt and slacks, and at night he puts on a rainbow-coloured tie. His flowing robes and khudiyah headwear he has long discarded. How, he asks, can you work in them at a bench?

He is pro-British. He knows that it was the British who created his country out of three neglected provinces of the Ottoman Empire at the end of World War I. It was British instructors who ensured that the examination which gave him his chance was fair. And now it is British instructors who teach him his trade.

With surprising insight, Hassan explained to me why he was pursuing a "strife" experience

in Iraq's swiftly-changing pattern of society.

From the Queen of Sheba's time until almost yesterday, Arab commercial life depended on slender lines of camel caravans. The sheikhs kept the desert peace, guarding those threads from marauders.

In Hassan's lifetime the caravans have been replaced by lorry convoys across asphalted desert roads; airliners carry the merchant princes between cities. And now it is Hassan who watches over the trade routes—with a scanner instead of a rifle.

His talks with his fellow tradesmen are mainly about engineering; electronic terms fall strangely among thrifty Arab cadences. But unity of interests and constant associations at work and in leisure time may bring the Young Effendi of age politically faster than their own politicians appear to expect.

In Arabic Effendi means "Master," a potentially prophetic title. Hassan could become a nation-wide personality—a figure which has never before emerged in Arab history—that indefinable character referred to by the West as The Man in the Street.

It is Hassan's hands, strong, slim, and sinewy, that first attract attention. In Hassan's hands lies much of Iraq's future. They look capable, swiftly-learning hands, even as they put together a radio set.

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## Housewives Differ

New York.  
**A**H, the trials of a price controller!

Tighe Woods, the new price boss, announced on taking office that he is ready to scrap controls if the people wish it.

He decided to go out, meet housewives, and find out what they want.

His first stop was Fresno California (Population: 91,000).

And what did he find? Half of the housewives want controls because prices are high. The others do not want them because they have not kept prices from rising.

The bewildered Mr Woods is going to try six more towns across the land before returning to his office in Washington to think things over.

Food prices remained stationary in the last ten days recorded in the Government price index. It stands at 235.6 percent of the 1935-9 average.

**T**HE Republicans and Democrats are estimated to be raising 30,000,000 dollars (more than £10,700,000) to help finance Eisenhower and Stevenson in their election campaign.

**I**N New York City, 1,200,000 pupils went to school as Dr Bella Dodd, an ex-Communist teacher, testified before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. In 1944, she said, at least 1,000 of the children's teachers were in the Communist Party.

**A**T LEAST five versions of "Robinson Crusoe" are on Hollywood's production schedule for the next few months.

**A**FTER flying 27 missions in Korea and more than 100 in World War II, Captain Martin Brent, 30-year-old distinguished Flying Cross holder, got leave for his son Michael's birthday. At the reunion, Captain Brent had a heart attack and died.

**A** CONGRESS committee decided to investigate President Truman's sacking of Lemar Caudie, an ex-Assistant Attorney General who prosecuted tax evaders.

Was there improper pressure upon him to go easy on the evaders? they asked. Yes, he said. Who from? Caudie replied: From Congressmen on behalf of constituents.

**I**N Des Moines, Iowa, Divorce Court judge D.D. Needham signed an order restraining George Jones from entering his home or molesting Mrs Jones. Two hours later, in another court, Judge Joseph Meyer—unaware of Judge Needham's action—signed an order restraining Mrs Jones from entering the house or molesting Mr Jones. The Joneses had filed divorce suits against each other.





## BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

THE advice given in a correspondence column to "encourage courtesy in others by a helpful attitude to them" suggests to me that you might begin by raising someone else's hat to yourself.

It would be enlightening to watch two courteous men meeting, and each reaching out to lift the other's hat. "In the case of a lady and gentleman meeting," says Ticker's Etiquette For All Occasions, "the lady should raise the gentleman's hat far from him, replacing it carefully on his head as soon as he has bowed to her."

### The voice of Narkover

DEAR BEACHCOMBER:

It does not seem to occur to you that a state of false examination papers stimulates interest in the end-of-term examinations. Sometimes there are half a dozen different sets, any one of which may be the genuine set. These change hands repeatedly, thus keeping pocket-money in circulation, and creating interest even among the slackest and poorest boys. Surely this is more honest, and therefore better for the character, than the custom at other schools, where a little beast looks

over his neighbour's shoulder and copies what he has written; a kind and unenterprising line of conduct.

Yrs. faithfully,  
Alexander Smart-Aleck.

### The Princess Helena

THE Southampton paddle-steamer "Princess Helena," which has ferried so many people to the Isle of Wight, is about to be broken up. It was during a passage on this boat that Tennyson wrote "The Charge of the Light Brigade" and they still keep aboard a hat worn by the Duke of Wellington, which blew into the sea off Bembridge and was retrieved by an old man named Barton, now living in Midhurst. He recalls the maiden voyage of this ferry-steamer 60 years ago, when Garibaldi was on board, on his way to visit the exiled Italian poet Guggi.

### Period piece

THE new dresses are Regency above the midriff and Early Victorian from the waist down. (Fashion item.)

Completed by William the Conqueror shoes, a Louis XIII snuff-box, a Philip II Spanish fan, Henry and therefore better for the character, than the custom at other schools, where a little beast looks

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

BORN today, you have one of those quiet, hyperintelligent minds which does straight to the heart of a matter almost instantly. This should help you succeed since you don't waste a lot of time just making up your mind to act. You are enthusiastic and ambitious and would like to ride high on the waves of success. But there is another side to your nature which is at odds with the more serious side and which could thwart you. You are just plain too fond of having a good time. Pleasure-loving and, at times, overly self-indulgent, you must learn to curb this tendency if your best talents are not to be submerged.

This warning is perhaps slightly more applicable to you members of the fair sex, since you are very attractive and are inclined to be flirtatious and even a little fickle in your affections. You may spend too much time on fun that there isn't much time left for the more serious aspects of life. You love

beautiful clothes and jewellery and are never happier than when the centre of a gay party. You will probably have countless admirers and several opportunities to wed. Both you and your loved ones have musical and literary talents but may not develop them to their best advantage. You are fond of books and the stage has a very definite lure for you. You men have good luck in business although you are inclined to take "long shots" and gamble your entire future on some new and exciting idea rather than wait for the rewards of a slow, plodding career. You may make it all right and again you may push your luck too far. Learn to know your own self a little better and you will have an easier time in life. And always, you owe yourself to the world. To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Romance is not too well favoured today. Be polite—compromise to avoid an argument.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Relax at the theatre or at a concert this evening. All work can make tensions rise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Keep your nose to the well-known grindstone today. A lot of hard work will bring fine results.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If losses last month wiped out the gains you plan to do better this month.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Don't let uncertainty of the future cloud today's planning. Make wise decisions; act confidently.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Make a good start this month by writing letters which you may have been neglecting lately.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Clear away all detail work held over from yesterday; get a good start on the new month.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be of assistance to older members of the family. If you've spoken hastily make amends now.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—A fine time to start on a new job. You should find new schedules and routine easy to master right now.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—You may find that cultural advantages in your neighbourhood can bring you considerable pleasure.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Be cautious in all decisions. Look

## DUMB BELLS

STOP CALLING ME "MONEY" WHILE WE ARE AROUND THESE BEE-HIVES!

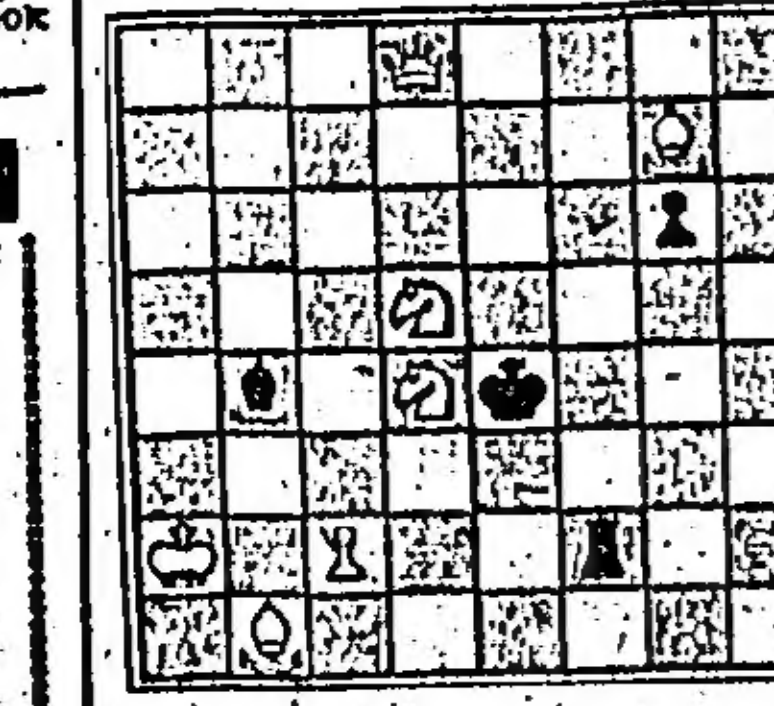


THE LEDGER SYNDICATE

## CHESS PROBLEM

By L. ANDERSEN

Black, 4 pieces.



White, 7 pieces.

White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. R-R1. 1... K-R1. 2. R-KK1. 1... other; 2. R-R7.

## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Think Your Play Out To Be Bridge Winner

By OSWALD JACOBY

IT'S often possible to spot an ineffective player from a distance. You may be too far away to see a single card, but you can see the player zip through the first few tricks without hesitating for even a fraction of a second.

Then comes the pause that embarrasses. The rest is confusion.

In the hand shown today, West opened the seven of hearts and South hurriedly won the first trick and then took both of dummy's top clubs. When East showed out on the second club, South slowed down.

It was now clear that the clubs could not be brought in. South therefore went after the diamonds, hoping to win four diamond tricks with a 3-2 break in that suit. When the diamonds failed to break, South's situation was hopeless.

There was no harm in winning the first trick without hesitation. South had no choice of play. "Then, however, South should have done some thinking. It was only necessary to count up the tricks needed for the contract.

South could expect to win seven tricks in aces and kings. He therefore

NORTH		9	
♠ A 8 7			
♥ 6 4			
♦ 5 4 2			
♣ A K 9 7 2			
WEST		EAST	
♠ Q 9 4		♠ K 10 5 2	
♥ 7 5		♥ Q J 10 8 3 2	
♦ J 10 8 7		♦ Q	
♣ Q 10 8 3		♣ 4	
SOUTH (D)			
♠ J 6 3			
♥ A K			
♦ A K 9 6 3			
♣ J 6 5			
North-South vul.			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	2 ♥
2 N. T.	Pass	3 N. T.	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—♥ 7			

needed two additional tricks in low cards.

Since only four club tricks were needed, there was no need to cash both the ace and the king of clubs. When both defenders followed to the first round of clubs, South should have continued by leading a low club from dummy towards his jack.

This would practically guarantee four club tricks.

If both opponents followed suit to the second round of clubs, the suit would surely break favourably. If East showed out (as he would indeed), the case of the jack would force out West's queen, and South could later take a finesse through West's ten.

If East had started with four clubs to the Q-10, he could embarrass South only by putting up the queen of clubs and immediately driving out dummy's ace of spades.

Obviously if South had made the correct play on the second round of clubs, he would have made his contract with ease.

## CARD SERIES

East—South—West—North

1—Diamond—Double—1 Spade—Pass

You, South, hold: Spades K-J-7-3. Hearts A-Q-4-2. Diamonds 4. Clubs A-K-8-5. What do you do?

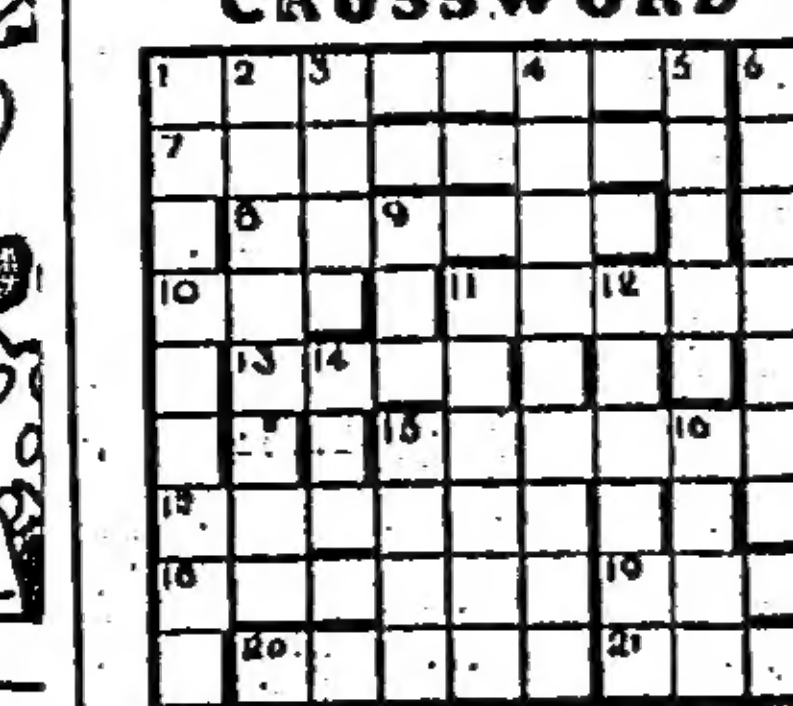
The contract should be fairly safe even if your partner stretches when he makes his free bid. If one spade, if he has a sound hand, he will go on to game, and will have a good play for it.

## TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-7-3. Hearts A-Q-7-2. Diamonds 4. Clubs A-K-8-5. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

## CROSSWORD



Across

1. Legal arena. (8)

2. Otto Rose for the initiated. (10)

3. Tasty food for comfort. (10)

4. Famous city with case. (10)

5. Twisted. (8)

6. Share farm to get one thing. (6)

7. Famous sort of companion. (10)

8. Late split. (10)

9. Nearly a lost morning. (10)

10. Horrible out. (10)

11. Victim of a storm before the hill. (10)

12. Famous pitching. (10)

13. Fastest blue, right place. (10)

Down

1. Observe with rite. (10)

2. Merely a wet stretch? (10)

3. Alternative case to the ground. (10)

4. Home to friends. (10)

5. Shortly. (10)

6. Helpful to the server? (10)

7. Time for the water, my boy. (10)

8. You follow the donkey before dawn. (10)

9. A kind of a martini. (10)

10. A kind of a martini. (10)

11. A kind of a martini. (10)

12. A kind of a martini. (10)

13. A kind of a martini. (10)

# WOMANSENSE

After so many years of 'Not Available'....

## A British classic is back again

—'STYLED UP' A BIT FOR THE TIMES...

To mark its return to the British home market, here is a picture summary of how the classic twin-set (top right), which began a world-wide vogue, has been modified to meet new styling ideas.

Most prominent development is The Cardigan with Collar. Three examples:

RIGHT: Tailored revers... and an effective double-button fastening down the front.

BELOW (left): The pointed collar edged with white.

BELOW (right): This one in super-lamb wool with knife-edged treble neckline.



The double-button front.



Again the collar.



The treble neckline.

## EXPRESSIVE SHOULDERS

By HELEN FOLLETT

WITH the bare-top formal holding its own, shoulders are out in the open for all to see. Women who wear these sartorial pretties are taking surveys of their body lines and they might give a few extra critical glances to their shoulders. The pose shoulders assume determines the pose of the figure.

There should be an appearance of ease. If the shoulders are carried in a rigid manner, a woman is likely to look bossy, suggest the touch-me-not expression. If they fall forward, the frame appears awkward; the chest is flat. Women of spirit carry themselves in a regal manner, head balanced, spinal column extended, abdominal muscles snug and tight.

Cosmetic Care  
Neck and shoulders require a certain amount of cosmetic care. A smooth, white skin surface is of importance. After the daily bath—which should be a rousing scrubbing with a soaped brush—it is a good plan to apply bath oil or fragrant cologne to neck, shoulders and arms.

If you use a foundation cosmetic when doling up for the evening festivity, for goodness sake don't stop under your chin, a greasy follow-up by many thoughtless beauty-questers. Make a complete job of it. Neck and shoulders must be on friendly colour terms with your face.

Plump Shoulders  
If the shoulders are a bit too plump and you would normalise them, try this exercise: Lie flat on your back on the floor, feet six inches apart. Lift the hips, making a bridge of your body, keeping the hands at the sides. Then roll from side to side, pivoting on your heels and letting your shoulders press into the floor. By this means, you will crush the fat cells and, in the course of time, they will do a disappearing act. Arm-swinging is also helpful.

## The Bride And Her First Meal

By GAY PAULEY

New York.  
Some of the nervousness traditional of the bride shows up when she prepares her first meal.

However, the new bride can save herself a lot of worry and her husband a lot of indigestion if she'll depend on making a few dishes well and wait until she's had more experience before she tries the fancy dishes like Mother used to make.

That advice comes from Ann Adams, table-decorating consultant for a silverplate manufacturer of Meriden, Connecticut. Miss Adams said some brides seem to feel it takes one-fourth as long to prepare dinner for two as for six.

"That," she said, "is a snare and a delusion. It takes as long to roast a chicken for two as it does for six."

## Simplicity Advised

She advised the bride to keep her table decorations as simple as her cooking. Use basic linens, china and silverware, and "dress" up the table with accessories.

The rule for table setting is simple. Use only the pieces necessary to serve the menu you've planned, and place the pieces in the order of use from the outside toward the plate.

Don't overload a table setting for two with a large, space-consuming centerpiece. Small vases at each place are more effective.

For a summer table setting, Miss Adams suggested this colourful combination: yellow and white place mats of plaid gingham, starched stiff so they will lie flat. Make them yourself, if you like, and hem some solid yellow material for accompanying napkins.

## Colour Important

The linens will go well with almost any plain coloured pottery or china, and for flowers you can use a centerpiece of yellow daisies.

You're really in luck if one of your wedding gifts was a set of deep green tumblers for use with such a colour scheme.

A cool-looking table colour scheme can be had by using apple green place mats. Use a centerpiece made by tucking a few bachelor buttons or peonies into small glass tubes of water which florists use for orchids. Stick the flowers in a centerpiece tray filled with fresh peaches and plums.—United Press.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## Wherever Did the Snow Go To?

—Lots of Things Disappear, but They Come Back!

By MAX TRELL

MR PUNCH was standing by the window—not saying anything. Just looking outside. Knarf and Handi, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, came up to him.

"What are you looking at, Mr Punch?" Handi asked.

"Nothing, my dear. I was just wondering..."

Knarf and Handi didn't know. Mr Punch continued. "Now take the Snowman that the children built just before last Christmas. He was a fine, big, sturdy fellow. He had a hat on his head and a cornucopia pipe in his mouth. He had buttons down his chest and he carried a cane. The hat, the cornucopia pipe, the buttons and the cane were all found on the ground, right after the first few sunny days in the spring. But Mr Snowman was gone. Where did he go to?"

Knarf and Handi couldn't answer that question, either.

"And the icicles," said Mr Punch, "where are they? They hung from the trees, they hung from the edge of the roof. They

happened to it. There was so much of it. It covered the ground—the fields, the hills, the mountains—for as far as anybody could see. It's easy enough to say it melted and ran away. But where did it run to?"

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# ENGLAND SOCCER TEAM TO PLAY ARGENTINA, CHILE AND URUGUAY NEXT MAY

London, Sept. 29.

England will play three fall internationals during their soccer tour of South America next May.

At a meeting of the Football Association Council in London today, it was announced that England will meet Argentina, Uruguay and Chile in full internationals and also a Football Association XI will oppose an Argentine XI.

Peru asked to be included in the tour agenda but it was not found possible to fit in a match with them. Contrary to reports no invitation was received from Brazil.

It is likely that an international match will be played against the United States in New York after the South American tour.

The England "B" team will play against Luxembourg and Saarland at the end of this season and it is hoped to arrange a match with a French "B" side.

## NEW CHAIRMAN

Mr H. Shephall, Chairman of the Chesterfield Football Club, was appointed a new chairman of the Football Association Council in London.

He succeeds Mr A. Drewry, who has resigned.

Mr Drewry remains Chairman of the Full International Committee, which embraces all matters connected with representative football, including professional and amateur.

The Senior International Committee deals only with full England professional sides. Mr Shephall was last season's Chairman of the Intermediate Selection Committee, which deals among other items, with England "B" teams.

Two Birmingham City junior players have been suspended as a result of incidents which occurred during the game between Birmingham City Juniors and a Zurich youth team on May 28.

Players John James and Peter Warrington were suspended for a month. The Birmingham City Football Club will not be allowed to send its youth team abroad for the next three seasons.

The match in question was played prior to the Switzerland-England match and was attended by officials of 16 national associations.—Reuter.

## Home Soccer Results

London, Sept. 29.

Following were the results of football matches played today:

GLASGOW CUP FINAL  
Rangers 1 Partick 3  
(Played at Hampden Park)

DIVISION III (Southern)  
Bristol R. 3 Norwich 1  
Coventry 1 Exeter 0

DIVISION III (Northern)  
Crawley 4 Chester 1  
Halifax 2 Oldham 2  
Mansfield 3 Darlington 2  
Stockport 3 Carlisle 0  
York 1 Port Vale 0

OTHER MATCH  
All Star XI 4 Arsenal 3  
—Reuter.

## NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 3rd Race Meeting 1952/53 to be held on Saturday, 25th and Wednesday, 29th October, 1952, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON—on—Thursday, 2nd October, 1952.

By Order,  
H. MISA,  
Secretary.

## NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap Saturday, 11th October, 1952.

Tickets in the above at \$2.00 each may be obtained at the Cash Sweep Offices of the Club at:—

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## 'SPURS' V. ARSENAL AT TOTTENHAM



London's two leading football clubs, Tottenham Hotspurs and Arsenal, had their first clash of the season when they met at White Hart Lane on September 20. Photo shows Ditchburn, Spurs goalkeeper, saving from Lishman, Arsenal's inside-left, while Clarke, Spurs centre-half, holds off Goring, Arsenal centre-forward. Ramsey, Spurs right-back, covers up. Arsenal won 3-1.

## The Whole Soccer World Seeks A Match With The England Team

London, Sept. 29.

England still has the best international soccer team in the world if the requests pouring into the Football Association headquarters here from all parts of the world for matches against the country, where the sport was born, can be taken as a criterion.

In spite of defeats in the World Cup at Rio by Spain and the little regarded United States squad, England is still regarded as the top team of the soccer world and officials here report that there is hardly a football-playing country in the world which has not sent in an application for a match—either at home or away.

English soccer stock was at its lowest ebb following the Rio debacle and a series of draws here against continental teams didn't help to restore prestige, but a draw against Italy in Florence last season, followed by a win over Austria in Vienna restored England to her pinnacle.

The match against Austria could be considered as virtually the unofficial title of European Champion and England's win gave the game a much needed boost here.

Such a flood of invitations, complicated future plans, because the FA believes that there is the danger of overworking England's best footballers and considerations of prestige arise if anything but the best talent is sent.

Next year the most ambitious of the season tour ever undertaken by a full England international squad starts with a swing through South America and a year later tough matches are already being planned as a preliminary for the World Cup soccer tournament in Switzerland that summer.

WORLD CUP PREPARATION

The scheme is to play home and away games against Spain, one of the best footballing teams in Europe, if not in the world, followed by a match against Yugoslavia in Belgrade.

Spain and Yugoslavia have been tentatively chosen as the squads most likely to give England grueling tests as preparation for the World Cup games a few weeks later.

Before the Spanish and Yugoslavian games in 1954, however, comes the hard tour of South America next year. Countries on the fixture list are Argentina, Uruguay and Chile.

Although the World Cup is still two years away, England has two years to prepare for the selection of the All-England XI to meet Oxford V. Roberts (Club), Menden (Club), and others.

The final Colony rugby trial preparatory to selection of the All-England XI will be held on the Club Ground at Happy Valley tomorrow. The kick off is at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Teams are as follows:—

Probables XV  
Henderson (Club), Jernard (Army), Clenden (Army), Walden (Club), Turville (Club), Craig (Club), Potts (Club), Owen (Army), Stevens (Club), Davidson (R.F.F.), Minto (Club), Crafter (Army), Descock (Army), and Squires (Army).

Substitutes XV  
Loe (Army), Wren (Army), Horne (Club), Lattier (Navy), Leggett (Oxford V. Roberts (Club), Menden (R.F.F.), Lane (Army), Ward (Army), A. Morrison (Navy), Roden (Army), Winkley (Army), Lambert (Club), White (Army), Ellis (Navy).

Substitutes To Play: Percy (Dobson), Arnold (Army), Hardland (Army), Geddes (Army). Jerseys will be provided at the ground.

## Beginning The Jimmy Wilde Story

# WILDE FOOLED THE "WIDE BOYS" WITH HIDDEN WEIGHTS

By CHARLES BARNETT

How often does one hear the remark "if only he had a punch!" when the merits of a particular boxer are being discussed? And how often also does one hear that others possess a punch, yet have little or no skill?

Well, May of 1952 marked the 60th birthday of a little man who, as far back as four decades or more, electrified the world with his deeds inside the ring; partially, strange to relate, because he had all the required skill, but largely because he could literally produce a devastating punch from nowhere—Jimmy Wilde.

It was the punch that made him the mystery man of the ring, for in height, he was a mere 5 feet 2 inches and his weight was barely 6 stone 8 pounds.

I have known boxers and boxing managers to cast doubt upon his exact poundage and on one occasion at the Old National Sporting Club, London, a determined attempt was made to solve the question.

Jimmy had arrived for a weigh-in fully dressed, and his opponent's manager also insisted that he should strip before going on to the scales. Arguments followed, especially after Wilde offered to make a concession. He said he would take off his straw hat!

Shedding all modesty, I claim to have done quite a bit in turning him to the outside world.

I began by writing to a friend, John Murray, who was editor of "Boxing." I asked him to insert a challenge to any 8 stone boy in England explaining that the boy had already beaten all opposition in Wales.

Murray replied that his directors would not allow him to insert a boy's challenge, so I had to explain that this "boy" was a married man within a baby's year. Upshot of this was a match at the Blackfriars Ring, London, with a London flyweight known as Matt Wells' Nipper and the happenings that night outside the ring were quite a comedy.

Fred Delaney, of Bradford, was top of that bill, and as he was anxious to catch a particular train home, he kept on hurrying Wilde to get ready for his minor bout.

HALF A ROUND

In that casual and unperurbed manner he has always possessed, Wilde drewled it would be quite all right and Jimmy strolled out of the dressing room wearing only his shorts and a Welsh flannel shirt with the ends loosely hanging over them.

A few minutes later, he mounted back still wearing his shirt. Delaney, now hot and bothered, angrily inquired why he did not get ready. "It's all right, mun," replied Jimmy slowly. "I knocked him out in half a round and Matt Wells told me afterwards that the 'nipper' said to him, 'Uncle, how did he do it?'"

Reporters hurried into the dressing room to interview the now ring tradesman and one asked the stereotyped question: "What do you think of London?"

"It's a growing little place," Jimmy said with a grin. "Nearly as big as Tylorstown."

So in a night Wilde's fame had spread from Wales to England, but flyweights were so little thought of in those times that ordinary fight fans had not yet realized what a star was rising in their midst.

There was proof of this at "Peggy" Bettinson's annual benefit. Wilde was in the programme to box a three-round trial with Joey Wilson, a sturdy and good boy, who was runner-up to Sid Smith for the 6-stone championship.

Wilde and Wilson were put into the ring at the end of one of the big matches and the club patrons rose en masse to visit the bar!

In later years a stampede of horses would not have caused them to move while Jimmy was inside the ropes and the accommodation was always full.

The Duke of Windsor, then Prince of Wales, saw several of his fights.

RUGBY LEAGUE SUSPENDS AUSTRALIAN

London, Sept. 29.

The Rugby League disciplinary committee announced today that Kenney, Kearney, the Australian touring team's hooker, had been suspended for one match.

Kearney was ordered off during the match at Halifax for allegedly punching the opposing hooker.

The committee's decision means that he will miss the game against Featherstone Rovers on Wednesday but he will be available if required for the first Test against Britain at Leeds on Saturday.—Reuter.

London, Sept. 29.

England still has the best international soccer team in the world if the requests pouring into the Football Association headquarters here from all parts of the world for matches against the country, where the sport was born, can be taken as a criterion.

In spite of defeats in the World Cup at Rio by Spain and the little regarded United States squad, England is still regarded as the top team of the soccer world and officials here report that there is hardly a football-playing country in the world which has not sent in an application for a match—either at home or away.

English soccer stock was at its lowest ebb following the Rio debacle and a series of draws here against continental teams didn't help to restore prestige, but a draw against Italy in Florence last season, followed by a win over Austria in Vienna restored England to her pinnacle.

The match against Austria could be considered as virtually the unofficial title of European Champion and England's win gave the game a much needed boost here.

Such a flood of invitations, complicated future plans, because the FA believes that there is the danger of overworking England's best footballers and considerations of prestige arise if anything but the best talent is sent.

Next year the most ambitious of the season tour ever undertaken by a full England international squad starts with a swing through South America and a year later tough matches are already being planned as a preliminary for the World Cup soccer tournament in Switzerland that summer.

WORLD CUP PREPARATION

The scheme is to play home and away games against Spain, one of the best footballing teams in Europe, if not in the world, followed by a match against Yugoslavia in Belgrade.

Spain and Yugoslavia have been tentatively chosen as the squads most likely to give England grueling tests as preparation for the World Cup games a few weeks later.

Before the Spanish and Yugoslavian games in 1954, however, comes the hard tour of South America next year. Countries on the fixture list are Argentina, Uruguay and Chile.

Although the World Cup is still two years away, England has two years to prepare for the selection of the All-England XI to meet Oxford V. Roberts (Club), Menden (Club), and others.

The final Colony rugby trial preparatory to selection of the All-England XI will be held on the Club Ground at Happy Valley tomorrow. The kick off is at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Teams are as follows:—

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Henderson (Club), Jernard (Army), Clenden (Army), Walden (Club), Turville (Club), Craig (Club), Potts (Club), Owen (Army), Stevens (Club), Davidson (R.F.F.), Minto (Club), Crafter (Army), Descock (Army), and Squires (Army).

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## JOHN COBB TOUCHED 206 MPH

Drumadroit, Sept. 29.

Seconds before his tragic death here today, John Cobb, the British speed king, covered a measured mile in 17.4 seconds, an average of 206.89 miles per hour, the fastest recorded water speed.

However, Commander Bray, chief official in charge of the time keepers, said the speed achieved by Cobb would not count as a record as he did not complete a second run.

The record is held by the American, Stanley, Sayres, with 178.4 miles per hour. Cobb died when his 6,000 horse-power jet speedboat Crusader blew up under him on Loch Ness during an attempt to break the water speed record.

The boat was powered by a De Havilland Ghost jet engine, similar to the type fitted in the Comet airliner.—Reuter.

WAVES BROKE HULL

London, Sept. 29.

The rebound of large waves from the wake of the ill-fated Crusader during its record-breaking speed bid on Loch Ness may have caused the break-up of its hull when travelling at 400 kilometres an hour, expert eye-witnesses believed tonight.

Experts believed that the waves set up by the peculiarly shaped hull of the speedboat as it covered the outward mile at an average speed of 200.8 kilometres an hour "booster-rattled" from the banks of the three mile wide Loch Ness on to the path of the Crusader on its return mile as it touched the 400-kilometres an hour mark.

Hitting waves at this speed, experts said, would be equivalent to hitting a brick wall.—France-Press.

## Pitchers Named For First World Series Game

New York, Sept. 29.

Joe Black, a rookie, and Allie Reynolds, a veteran, were named today to pitch the first game of the baseball World Series on Wednesday between Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Yankees.

Black, with a record of 15 victories against four defeats, was chosen by Manager Chuck Dressen after a 15-minute warm-up during the Dodgers' workout at the Yankee Stadium.

Casoy Stengel of the Yankees announced that Reynolds would start for the American League Champions. Reynolds has won 20 games and has lost eight.

Stengel also announced that Vic Raschi would pitch the second game and Ed Lopat the third "unless they come up with some arms or get sick."—United Press.

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## BRITISH VICTORY AT MONZA



Leslie Graham, of Britain, won the Grand Prix des Nations 500 cc motor-cycle race at Monza, Italy, nine days ago. He beat 25 competitors from nine countries. Riding an NMV, he established a new lap record with an average speed of 108.78 m.p.h. Photo shows Graham being chaired after his great victory.

## The Sports Roundabout

# Portsmouth Put The Country First

By W. CAPEL KIRBY & DAVID JACK

Orders have gone out from Fratton Park to secure an inside forward built on Duggie Reid lines. We must get a good big 'un, say Portsmouth, who have the remedy bang on the spot by pushing Jack Froggatt to centre-forward and bringing Red Flewin back as centre half.

It's as simple as that; yet Pompey prefer to go into the market for their man. Why? "Because we don't want to prejudice Froggatt's international chances," says director Harry Wain.

We commend this country and player before club attitude to others who squeal about the frequent FA calls on men for international duty.

Stormy petrel of Australian cricket, Sid Barnes, is almost certain to be playing in England next season. Even if Barnes is not included in the official Australian party, Lancashire League club Accrington are prepared to give him as much cricket as he wants.

Stoke City's next big signing will be a centre-forward. Led they would like is Burnley's Bill Holden. Who wouldn't?

British bottle-dodging referees in South America are short of whistles. That's why Glasgow's Willie Crawford, who left for Chile recently, had to declare a dozen and a half at London Airport.

Hull City manager, Bob Jackson, looking for a top-class winger, has been making inquiries about Sheffield Wednesday's Dennis Woodhead.

We don't fancy his chances of pulling off a deal. Since Woodhead regained his first team

place Wednesday's attack has improved out of all recognition—and they're in no mood for selling.

Sign of the times. New York's Yankee Stadium start a weekly series of soccer matches next month when the baseball season ends. No expense is being spared and both New York Yankees Baseball Club and the U.S. Soccer Association are putting \$10,000 as initial outlay.

Even with the end of the cricket season you can't keep young Freddy Truman out of the news. Playing Soccer for Maitly Main, Yorkshire League club, Freddy is building up a reputation for missing penalties.

ON THE CARDS It's on the cards that the Australian cricket tourists will make Nottingham their headquarters next season—instead of London. With a crowded fixture list, a Midlands base would cut down travelling.

Former Sunderland wing half Alex Hastings, now a successful mine host, has turned down two attractive scouting jobs. Instead, Alex has bought a season ticket at Falkirk.

Judging by importations to the Football League, the Southern League is the senior non-League competition in football.

That's why clubs visiting Lovells Athletic complain, regularly about having to play before 20 to 30 spectators.

Goalkeepers, too, object to trekking over tennis courts to retrieve every ball that goes past them.

Former Aston Villa goalkeeper Joe Rutherford has joined old friends at Bilton. Bilton player-manager is Bill Elliott, ex-West Bromwich winger, and the team includes Billy Guest and Don Dearson.

HE WASN'T KIDDING Framed photographs of Derby County's 32 international players adorn the Baseball Ground boardroom. On a recent visit Ted Drake, spanning four with his arms, said: "These would do me." The four? Raich Carter, Peter Doherty, Billy Steel and Hughie Gallacher.

Cardiff City's Will Grant certain to be among the leading First Division goal-scorers, figured in probably the shrewdest deal in post-war Soccer. When Grant moved from Southampton in exchange for Ernie Stevenson, a cheque for £20,000 was thrown in by Southampton.

When Charlie Mitten was transferred from Manchester United to Fulham he took it for granted that he would forfeit £200 accrued share of benefit as part of his Fulham punishment.

Charlie has since discovered that Neil Franklin got away with it when signed by Hull City—and has now put the matter in the hands of the Players' Union.

# MARY CHOW WINS COLONY SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

By "ARGONAUT"

Mrs Mary Chow won the Colony Ladies' Singles title yesterday for the second time in her tennis career, defeating Miss Kathleen Phoa in the final by 6-1, 6-2 at the Ladies' Recreation Club.

Played before a disappointingly small crowd, the match failed to reach the standard of previous finals and was over in just under one hour.

A surprise finalist, in this year's Championships, Miss Kathleen Phoa put up a gallant fight, resorting to safe tactics which were unavailing against the smooth flowing forceful drives of her opponent and rendered ineffective by the feebleness of her own strokes.

Mrs Chow's deadly forehand and backhand cross drives, either half-court or deep, repeatedly took their toll and paved the way to her comfortable victory.

Miss Phoa took the first game on Mrs Chow's service, when the latter, after being beaten by a forehand drive to her service, made three successive errors. Warning up to the game and driving forcefully to both sides of the court, Mrs Chow took the next six games in a row to complete the first set in 15 minutes.

Mrs Chow went on to lead 3-0 in the second set before dropping her service game. At 6-1, Miss Phoa made her last stand, holding her service to bring the score to 5-2.

The loser had a good chance to extend the match when she held her opponent to 30-30 in the next game, but volleyed an easy shot into the net and Mrs Chow completed the set and match with her specialised forehand short cross.

MIXED DOUBLES

In the Colony Mixed Doubles semi-final, played on an adjacent court, Mrs Elvise Tsok and K. C. Dao qualified to meet Mrs Enid Lo Litton and Tsui Wai-pui in the final with a 6-4, 6-1 win over Mrs V. Fowler and J. Hsu.

This was a good game all the way, featured by brilliant play by K. C. Dao in the middle and back court, some excellent forehand drives by Mrs Fowler and spirited retrieving by her partner. A newcomer to competitive tennis, Mrs Tsok, after a shaky start, gave a spectacular performance at the net with aggressive net play.

The first set was a ding-dong affair until 4-4 when Joseph Hsu dropped his service game by 30-50. Dao ended the first set on his service to win by 6-4. The second set saw the winners romp along to 4-0, but only after four closely contested games.

Hsu served to a 50-15 game to reduce the margin to 4-1, but both he and his partner were unable to stop the winners from taking the next two games for set and match after holding them to two gruelling duce games.

# INDONESIA'S TENNIS ACES ARE HERE

Indonesia's leading tennis aces, headed by their Champion, Tan Leep-chiau, arrived yesterday by the mv Tjiwangi and will open their three-day Interport series against Hongkong on Friday afternoon at the Chinese Recreation Club.

Hongkong will be represented by Ip Koon-hung and K. C. Dao in the Singles and Ip and Tsui Wai-pui in the Doubles. Of the visitors, Tan Leep-chiau, the Indonesian Singles Champion, is no newcomer to Hongkong. In early 1948 he defeated Ip Koon-hung on a cement court in Indonesia, but Ip turned the tables on him at Shanghai when they met for the National Championship of China in 1949.

On his way back from Shanghai, Tan, together with T. T. Chen and Leo Boon-sing, stopped over at Hongkong and played a series of matches here. Tan then extended Ip and impressed with his forceful top-spin driving game.

Leon Yoo-jeen, co-holder of the Indonesian Doubles Championship, will team up with Sudarsono Jayadireja to play against Hongkong's new combination of Ip Koon-hung and Tsui Wai-pui.

Lym is a very fine doubles player, possessing a strong service and very sound forehand drives.

Sudarsono Jayadireja, runner-up to Tan Leep-chiau, is a young player of great promise and will be a good match to Hongkong's second string, K. C. Dao, in court coverage and retrieving difficult shots.

The Hongkong players are expected to win, but will have to produce their best form to defeat the visitors.

THE PROGRAMME Friday, Oct. 3 4.00 p.m.—Singles Interport—Sudarsono Jayadireja (Indonesia) v Ip Koon-hung (Hongkong).

5.15 p.m.—Singles Interport—Tan Leep-chiau (Indonesia) v K. C. Dao (Hongkong).

Saturday, Oct. 4 3.15 p.m.—Singles exhibition—Tan Ping-soon (Indonesia) v Fritz Lin (Hongkong).

4.15 p.m.—Exhibition Mixed Doubles—Mrs Tan Leep-chiau and Jayadireja (Indonesia) v Mrs Mary Chow and K. C. Dao (Hongkong).

5.15 p.m.—Doubles Interport—Tan Leep-chiau and Leon Yoo-jeen (Indonesia) v Ip Koon-hung and Tsui Wai-pui.

Sunday, Oct. 5 4 p.m.—Singles Interport—Sudarsono Jayadireja (Indonesia) v K. C. Dao (Hongkong).

5.15 p.m.—Singles Interport—Tan Leep-chiau (Indonesia) v Ip Koon-hung (Hongkong).

# ON THE RECORD Room There Even For The Littlest Ones

Some of us can nostalgically remember the days when the Victoria Recreation Club bar was patronised by a regular group of habitués who lined it two or three deep and resented the occasional pushing his way in for a quick one.

Times have changed. When the diving started yesterday, the President of the Hongkong Swimmers' Fathers' Association, Mr. Bill Eager, and this columnist decided to take a look in.

The place was deserted. At least, it was at first glance. On the other side the bar attendant was seen who, it would appear, had trouble pulling his head over the edge of the bar.

# Colony Swimming Championships

# Two Colony Records Broken

By "FRIDAY"

The first day of the Colony Swimming Championships heats held at the Victoria Recreation Club last night saw two new Colony records established.

Cheong Kin-man, swimming the 220 Yards Free Style, took the lead from the start of the race and, keeping an even pace, increased it to three quarters of a length and finished in the record breaking time of 2:18-1/3, his old record being 2:18-4/8.

Kin-man just took it comfortably and keeping his real surprise for the final. Asked about his recent trip to Formosa, Cheong said the swimming there was of a high standard.

Very keen competition was shown by the girls last night and they are all out to put up a good show. For that extra spur the Chinese girls brought along ammunition in the form of cube sugar.

In the 100 Yards Breast Stroke, Tsing Rit-wan (CYMCA) swam an excellent race. Using the orthodox breast stroke, he kept level with the other swimmers, using the butterfly stroke and beat them by a touch at the finish.

In the Ladies' 50 Yards Back Stroke there was keen competition and the finals should provide some excitement.

Swimming in the first heat of the 40 Yards Free Style, Cynthia Eager broke her last year's time of 5 min. 49 sec. returning 5:38. In the 2nd heat of the same event, Vanessa Giles improved her time to 5:04—the second best performance in the Colony's history.

# THE FINALISTS

The finalists are: 220 Yards Free Style—Cheong Kin-man (Fortune), time: 2 min. 18-1/3 sec.; Kwong Long-hoi (CYMCA); Lam Yee-ling (CYMCA); and Yip Yau (Ching Wing). 100 Yards Breast Stroke—Tsing Rit-wan (CYMCA); time: 2:18-1/3 sec.; (CYMCA); and Elizabeth Grant (CYMCA).

50 Yards Back Stroke—Fung Yung-chee (CYMCA); time: 2:34-1/2 sec.; Joan Eager (VRC); Ng Ngai-jin (CYMCA); and Elizabeth Grant (CYMCA).

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# Australian Cyclist To Take A Crack At World Sprint Records

Paris, Sept. 29  
Australian cyclist Sidney Patterson said here today that he would ride on Milan's Vigorelli wooden track next Sunday, October 5, and possibly take a crack at the Italian-held flying start kilometre record.

Patterson, who clocked one minute 4.8 seconds over the flying kilometre of the Parc des Princes cement track here yesterday, made this statement before leaving Paris for Brussels.

Patterson's time yesterday was two-tenths of a second off the record set on the Milan track in 1938 by Italian F. Battistini: one minute 4.6 seconds.

Milan's track is reputed to be the fastest in the world. Patterson said that he would have a try at the record if the track suited him. In that case, he added, he would also be making an attempt on Reg Harris's 1949 standing start record of one minute 9.5 seconds over the

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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### No More Alone

THERE was about Angela that air of patient toleration that is possessed by people who are often born-teachers of the young. She was a rather pretty girl, with grey-blue eyes and unruly fair hair, which she wore cut very short; and you would have said you could read most of her history in her face, in her attitude, in the clothes she wore and the way she wore them.

From the sensible tweed skirt and the gay orange windcheater, you would suppose she found most of her pleasure in the open-air and her fresh complexion seconded the supposition. The expressions that flickered, one after another, across her face were suggestive of intelligence and a sense of humour.

Such problems as came her way, you would guess, would be of the order of wondering whether this girl or that would win her scholarship, or worrying over spinning out her salary to last through the holidays; or debating the answer to a young man's proposal of marriage.

ANGELA is, indeed, a teacher. To the extent that she likes to be a bicyclist, she is an out-of-door girl. And she is pursued by a problem, to judge from the effects that the pursuit has upon her, it is one more grave and more lonely and more hopeless than any about which she might be supposed to bother her pretty head.

Angela was brought to Bow Street the other day and charged with being drunk in charge of her bicycle. She pleaded guilty before Mr. R. H. Blundell, who glanced at her in the kind of glaze that would not dim at all except perhaps for convention's sake to slip a glass of something on occasions of importance such as her 21st birthday party.

A policeman told the magistrate of watching Angela several times try without success to mount her rickish bicycle somewhere in Central London.

"Would you like to ask any questions?" Mr. Blundell asked the girl.

"I'm always being picked up for being drunk," Angela said, and as she was accusing anyone of persecuting her, but as if she quite exasperated herself by this propensity she had lately acquired. In such a voice might someone at the sink say, as another cup crashed to the floor, "I'm always dropping things these days."

## SECRET MILITARY TALKS ON SOUTHEAST ASIA Australia, New Zealand To Take Part

Washington, Sept. 29. Authoritative sources said today that Australia and New Zealand would take part in highly secret military talks on Southeast Asia which will take place in the National Defence Department here early next month.

The sources pointed out that this would be the first time that Australia and New Zealand join officially with the United States, Britain and France in talks on South-east Asian defence. They also considered that these talks would be of greater interest and importance to the defence of Australia and New Zealand than the recent talks of the ANZUS military committee in Honolulu.

## REVENUE UP: LOSSES BIGGER

### BEA Annual Report

London, Sept. 29. The state-owned British European Airways covering Britain, continental Europe, the Near and Middle East, today announced a net loss for the year ended last March of £1,423,611, nearly £500,000 more than the previous year.

The corporation's annual report showed that BEA carried more than one million passengers for the first time for any airline outside the United States and increased the number of miles flown by 20 per cent.

The report stated that BEA aircraft carried 1,135,579 passengers more than 23 million miles.

The total revenue earned was £10,817,700, an increase of 20 per cent over the previous year.

The report complained that the corporation received a lower rate of first class mail pay than any other international airline. "Obviously the time is ripe for a review of all rates of mail pay in line with the development of the technique of air transport," the report stated.

**SPIRALLING COSTS**  
The Chairman of BEA, Lord Douglas, at a Press conference here today, attributed the increased deficit largely to spiralling costs and one year's delay in the introduction of the BEA's 40 47-passenger Elizabeth-class aircraft.

In addition, an industrial dispute at the peak summer period cost BEA an estimated £150,000. Increased petrol costs and the £25 currency limit on British tourists had hit them still further, he added.

Asked if by 1950 the corporation would be a profitable undertaking, Lord Douglas replied: "I should say it will be a good deal sooner than that."

Lord Douglas said that in August this year the corporation made a gross profit of £250,000. "That is the biggest we have ever made and is about £100,000 more than in the same month last year," he said.

## Churchill Going To Balmoral

London, Sept. 29. The Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, will fly to Balmoral on Wednesday to stay with Queen Elizabeth for two days. It was authoritatively stated tonight.

Mr. Churchill's visit is the reason why two cabinet meetings this week are being held on successive days—Tuesday and Wednesday.

According to officials there is no dramatic political or diplomatic development behind Mr. Churchill's visit. He has not had his routine audience with the Queen since July 28. She is not due back in London for another fortnight.—Reuter.

They said that, from the strategic viewpoint, Southeast Asia constituted the first line of defence of Australia and New Zealand, whereas the ANZUS strategic area could be described as the second line of defence.

"It stressed that every effort was being made to keep this conference secret and so far the National Defence Department will not even admit such a conference will take place, although officials of other countries have told the United Press there will be a conference."

**CHIEF SUBJECT**  
They said Indo-China would be the chief subject under discussion and the conference may make highly secret recommendations to the five governments as to what forces should be contributed by each. In the event of Chinese Communist attacks on Indo-China, they recalled that the fighting season in Indo-China begins in about a month's time, consequently holding of the conference in the first week of October here may in itself prove a highly salutary warning to Communist China.

The sources added that the British and French delegates were expected to ask that a permanent military committee of the five nations be set up, possibly in Paris, to centralise all military information on Southeast Asia to the governments concerned and to make recommendations from time to time.

They said the situation in Malaya would also be discussed, but they could not say whether possible Chinese Communist intentions as regards Siam and Burma would also be reviewed, but they point out that defence of Southeast Asia cannot be treated in airtight compartments.—United Press.

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atives without further compensation.

The resolution urged that the Government should then appropriate the profits made by the industries during the period they were freed from state ownership.

Left-wing elements angrily resisted the suggestion from the platform that this resolution should be dropped in favour of a more moderate action by the Transport and General Workers' Union.

The left-wing resolution was defeated by 2,358,000 votes to 1,652,000 votes.

The Transport and General Workers' motion, which was a straight demand that renationalisation should be on terms preventing private owners from profiting at the nation's expense, was unanimously adopted.—Reuter.

## Radio Hongkong

R.H.T. Programme Summary: 6.02, "Melody Time" with Ambrose and his Orchestra; 6.30, Cantonese by Radio given by Miss Lee Wei Lun and E. K. 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